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## Gardens In The City

**Directions:** Read the passage carefully.

- Underline or highlight sentences that seem important.
- Write what you think the **main idea** of the passage is in your own words.
- List at least two supporting details from the text that prove your main idea is correct.
- Answer the reflection question at the end.

### The Rise of Urban Gardens

In many cities around the world, small plots of land are being transformed into urban gardens. These gardens often grow vegetables, fruits, and herbs for local communities. Supporters believe urban gardening helps improve access to fresh food, especially in neighborhoods where grocery stores are far away. It also brings neighbors together, creating a stronger sense of community. Scientists note that plants in cities can reduce air pollution and provide cooling shade during hot summers. Some city governments now encourage residents to use rooftops or vacant lots for gardens. Although challenges such as soil quality and water supply exist, the benefits are inspiring more people to plant and grow within city limits.



1. What is the **main idea** of the passage?

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2. List **two supporting details** that back up the main idea.

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**Reflection:** Why might urban gardens be especially important in neighborhoods with limited grocery stores?

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