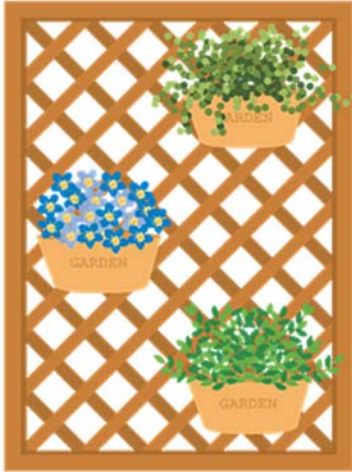


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Urban Garden Skim

Directions: You will read the passage below **quickly**, using skimming and scanning techniques to capture the *main idea* and *key details*. Focus on **important nouns, verbs, and topic words** instead of every single sentence. After reading, write **one concise sentence** that summarizes the main idea of the entire passage.

“City Gardens in the Sky”

In many crowded cities, open land for parks and gardens is hard to find. To solve this, architects and city planners have started creating **rooftop gardens** on tall buildings. These green spaces help **reduce heat, improve air quality**, and **provide fresh food** for residents. Some buildings in **Singapore, New York**, and **Tokyo** even include small farms that grow vegetables and herbs for local restaurants. Rooftop gardens also give people a peaceful place to relax above the noise of the streets. As cities continue to grow, these elevated gardens are becoming symbols of a greener and healthier urban future.

Write one clear sentence that summarizes the main idea: