

**SPARKSTAR**



# The “Sacred Root Garden Quest”

A SparkStar Backyard Awe-Venture

## The Story Setup

Parents tell kids:

“SparkStar discovered that some plants look scary... but they’re actually guardians of the garden. Today we’re explorers looking for the Sacred Root!”

## Mission 1 – The Jungle Explorer Walk

**Goal:** Notice plants like an explorer.

Kids walk through a yard, park, or trail and find **five “mysterious plants.”**

Examples:

- A spiky plant
- A fuzzy plant
- A plant with sticky seeds
- A plant with a strong smell
- A plant with big leaves

Each time they find one, ask:

- “What do you think this plant is protecting itself from?”
- “How does this plant survive?”

Have the kids take pictures of the plants with the phone.

This mirrors SparkStar realizing the plant **wasn’t evil – just guarding its soil.**

## Mission 2 – Feed the Garden

Inspired by the **tribute to the Sacred Root** in the episode.



Kids gather:

- leaves
- twigs
- fruit peels
- grass

They build a **“Garden Feast” pile** in a compost bin or natural area.

**Parents explain:**

“Plants and soil creatures recycle food to keep the forest alive.”

This teaches ecosystems and decomposition.

## **Mission 3 – The Wild Listening Challenge**

This is the **WildSpark moment**.

Everyone sits quietly for **60 seconds**.

Kids count:

- How many bird sounds?
- How many bugs?
- How many different plant shapes nearby?

Then ask:

“What was nature trying to say?”

Have the kids use a phone or device to record the sounds to listen to later.

The lesson: **slow down and listen to the wild.**

## **Mission 4 – Become a Plant Monster**

Kids invent a **defensive plant character**.

Example:

- “I’m Captain Cactus! My spikes stop animals from eating me!”

- “I’m Sticky Seed Sam! I hitch rides on socks!”

This reinforces the episode idea:

Plants aren’t villains – they’re survivors.

## **Finale – The “Crunch Vine Snack”**

End the adventure with a **nature snack**.

Examples:

- celery “crunch vines”
- snap peas
- carrot sticks

SparkStar style line for parents:

“Explorers always celebrate a successful mission with snacks!”

