

Title:	Garden redesign 1	Level: lower
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Text:	<p>This morning, I showed students the progress I have made on redesigning the garden, which is part of the school property.</p> <p>Originally designed with stepping stones and large rock features, it was overgrown when we arrived, but I saw great potential to remodel it into a place which would be more welcoming to people who want to step outside.</p> <p>By making a stone walled flower bed from the stepping stones and flattening the area in front of the doors, it will be possible to lay a wide expanse of grass in an 'L-shape' around the outer classroom windows.</p> <p>This will make it easy to sit down, either on the grass, the stones or seating in pleasant weather. Great!</p>
Discussion:	Have you done a project at home in the past? Tell us what you did.
Words and usage:	<p>Make</p> <p>In the text above, 'make' refers to both a physical activity ('making a stone walled flower bed'), and an abstract idea ('make progress' and 'make it easy')</p>
Resources:	<p>Oxford Dictionaries. http://www.oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com</p> <p>The British Council website. https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org</p>
Practice idea:	Write 5-10 sentences using each type of 'make' you have done recently, physical and abstract.
Listening link:	<p>Garden redesign 1 - audio</p> 
Quiz Me! Conversation card:	<p>Card number D4 below is from Level 1, pack 1, available at englishbooks.jp, Amazon and Rakuten</p>  <p>Finish the sentence. The hardest DIY job I've ever done was.....</p> <p><small>quizme.jp</small></p>