

Sample student blog entries

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This week, the first difference we noticed with our terrarium was how the upper part had a lot of condensation. It was difficult to see into the bottle because of all the water that appeared around the inside of the bottle. Our one plant continues to grow and it's starting to bend over because of the top of the bottle. Our leaves are growing bigger and the plant still looks very green.

In the aquarium part of our terrarium, the water still looks very clear and clean. It's interesting how it is clearer than the first observation because we predicted that it would get dirtier. The elodia is thick and green and takes up most of the water.

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This week, we noticed the water getting dirtier and the white cloud grew. The two snails are still alive. The water level has gone down. The elodea is still very green and some of it is out of the water. There is still no plant growth and it looks like there's less condensation in the top and bottom bottles. We don't know why the water is going down when there is no plant growth. There are some spots of mold around the bottle.

The plants had begun to grow and our snails had moved. We still can't tell which seeded is which, we also planted about 5 seeds yet only two are growing. One of the most common things notes in our observations this week was the amount of condensation in the top bottle. We are really pleased with the progress our ecosystem is making!