Growing a carrot from a carrot experiment

I was chopping up carrots for my dinner the other day and I thought, can I grow a carrot from carrot scraps? Let's see!

What you need:

- Carrot top
- Cup or jar

What to do:

1. Place a carrot top cut side down in a cup or jar with a very small amount of water so it just covers the bottom.
2. This experiment takes time! Check your carrot head every day and add a little water when it dries up. Take a photo every week. Can you make a collage of your photos and upload to the Kids Club Online Gallery so everyone can see your carrot grow?

Sometimes this experiment will not work. If your carrot starts to look gross, dark, rotten and mouldy, throw it out! And wash your hands! I had to throw one of my carrots out after about 2 weeks. So it is best to try this experiment with a few carrot heads in case this happens.

Carrot after 1 week

Carrot after 2 weeks

Look at the green leaves growing!

Carrot after 3 weeks

Once the carrot reached week three, it looked like a mini tree! But it didn't grow much bigger over the next week. So I planted it in a pot with the green leaves above the soil to see if it grows any bigger. What do you think will happen?

This is my carrot plant after about two months. Once you plant it in the ground, it will take about 60-90 days until it is ready for harvest. You can tell when it is ready because you will see the top part of the carrot poking above the ground.