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## Bloom Where You Are Planted

*An activity of "A village is transformed"*

Have you heard the old saying "Bloom where you are planted"? It suggests that we should be like plants that do their best to grow and flower regardless of where they are.

In the May issue of *What's Up*, there are two stories that illustrate this idea. Go to <https://digital.whatsup.sg/> and read them:

➤ **"A village is transformed"** (Story 06)

➤ **"Q: How can I become a climate activist?"** (Story 04)

The first story is about Ojok Okello. He was born in a little village named Okere Mom-Kok, in Uganda. He then lived abroad for years. Mr Okello returned as an adult to help his village.

In the second article is a letter from Vilma D'Rozario. She went abroad to study. Then, she returned to Singapore, and has been helping to protect nature here.

Both Mr Okello and Dr D'Rozario bloomed where they were planted. In their cases, it happens to be their birthplaces. Regardless of whether Singapore is your birth country, you are here now. You can bloom wherever you happen to be, at any time in your life.

1. If you were to spend six months at Okere Mom-Kok, how would you help Ojok Okello with his projects?

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2. If you volunteered to be Vilma D'Rozario's assistant for six months, which of her project teams would you like to join?

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3. Consider where you are now — your neighbourhood. In what ways can you make the world a better place for your family, friends, and neighbours? How can you bloom where you are planted?

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