Onions are a great vegetable to grow and white, yellow, and red onions are all grown the same way.

Onion sets can be used to grow green onions or onion bulbs as outlined on the back of this sheet.

Planting Guide

Choosing a site:
- Avoid sites recently planted with other members of the onion family
- Amend the soil with compost before planting and plant in an area with good drainage and full sun.

Planting/Care:
- Plant early - mid March
- Plant the sets pointy end/blunt end down (as shown on the front picture):
  - 2" deep
  - 6" apart for bulbs or 2" apart for green onions
- After planting, mulch the bed with 3" of straw or shredded leaves to suppress weed growth and conserve moisture.
- Onions, especially if grown for green onions can easily be planted between rows of other crops or tucked into the corners of beds.

Harvesting/Storage:
- You can harvest them as green onions really anytime.
- For bulbs: harvest when the tops have fallen over
  - Dig up the whole plant and put them in a shaded location with good airflow until the greens have all turned brown and dried back to the bulb.
  - Then cut off the tops and roots and store in a cool dry place.