

**What is your favorite vegetable? Can you find it in the book? If not, does it grow up, down or around ?**

**What would you eat from the lunch at the end? Draw your lunch using at least one vegetable from the book!**

**So many bugs in this book! Name two jobs bugs would do in a garden.**

**Design and draw your own bug. What job will your bug do in the garden?**

**Pick a vegetable from the story. Write an alliterative (same letter at the beginning of each word) poem.**

**For example: Paul picked peppers.**

# Finger Plays

Fingerplays are a fun and interactive way to support young children's development. They provide numerous benefits, including enhancing fine motor skills, promoting language development, improving memory and concentration, and encouraging socialization.

## A Little Sun

A little sun (hold arms above head)

A little rain (wiggle fingers in the air in a downward motion)

Now pull up all the weeds (pretend to pull weeds)

Our flowers grow, all in a row

(hold up all ten fingers lined up like flowers)

From tiny little seeds.

(hold thumb and finger to show size of seeds)

## Ant Hill

Once I saw an ant hill with no ants about.

(fingers curled under, concealed)

So I said, "Dear little ants, won't you come out?"

Then, as if the little ants had heard my call,

One, two, three, four, five come out?

(as numbers are called, fingers are extended)

And that was all!

# I'll Plant A Little Seed

I'll plant a little seed  
in the dark, dark, ground.  
Out comes the yellow sun,  
big and round.  
Down comes the cool rain,  
soft and slow.  
Up comes the little seed,  
grow, grow, GROW!

## Planting Time

Tune: Row, Row, Row, Your Boat

Dig, dig, dig the earth (make digging motion)

Then you plant your seeds (pretend to drop seeds)

A gentle rain (flutter fingers down)

And bright sunshine (Circle arms above head)

Will help your flowers grow (flutter fingers up)

# Books like **UP, DOWN, AND AROUND**

My Garden by Kevin Henkes

The Vegetables We Eat by Gail Gibbons

Rooftop Garden by Danna Smith

Eating the Alphabet by Lois Ehlert

Garden Walk by Virginia Brimhall Snow

My First Outdoor Garden by Philippe Asseray

Every Color Soup by Jorey Hurley

Garden Day! by Candice F Ransom

Cecil's Garden by Holly Keller

Oh Joy, Bok Choy by Dawn Noelle Archer

The Curious Garden by Peter Brown

A Harvest of Color by Melanie Eclare

In the Garden by Emma Giuliani

Logan's Greenhouse by JaNay Brown-Wood

My Delicious Garden by Anne-Marie Fortin

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