



Garden Songs and Poems (Pre-K-1)

From the New Jersey Agricultural Society Learning Through Gardening program

Grow, Grow, Grow a Garden

(to the tune of Row, Row, Row your Boat)

Grow, Grow, Grow a Garden
Starting with a seed,
Give it soil, sun and water,
That is all it needs!

Grow, Grow, Grow a Garden
Grow it nice and tall!
The sun shines bright to give it light
And it will grow 'til fall!

Grow, Grow, Grow a Garden
Grow it nice and green!
The rain will help our garden grow
The biggest you've ever seen!

The Gardener Plants the Seeds

(to the tune of the Farmer in the Dell)

The gardener plants the seeds
The Sun comes out to shine
The seeds begin to grow
The vegetables are here
The gardener harvests the crop
Now it's time to eat, Yes now it's time to eat!

THIS IS MY GARDEN

Sing to the tune of Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

This is my garden (Extend palm of hand facing up)
I'll rake it with care, (Rake palm with three fingers of the
other hand)
And then some flower seeds, (Plant pretend seeds on
palm)
I'll plant there.
The sun will shine, (Circular action with other hand)
And the rain will fall, (Fingers flutter down)
And my garden will grow, And grow straight and tall. (Cup
hands and 'grow' fingers upwards)

I'M A LITTLE SEED

Sing to the tune of I'm a Little Teapot

I'm a little seed,
Brown and fat,
I don't have a front,
And I don't have a back.
Plant me in the earth,
Give me water each day,
I'll grow to be a vegetable,
While you play!

I dig a hole and plant a seed,
Cover it with soil and pull a weed.
Down comes the rain, and out comes the sun,
Up grows my vegetable,
Oh! What fun!
(Add motions to go with each line)

HELP YOUR VEGGIES GROW

Sing to the tune of Row, Row, Row, Your Boat

Dig, dig, dig the earth. (Make digging motion)
Plant your seeds just so. (Pretend to drop seeds)
A gentle rain, (Flutter fingers down)
And bright sunshine, (Circle arms above head)
Will help your veggies grow! (Hold one arm parallel to
ground and move other arm up behind it with fingers
extended to represent a flower growing)

TEN LITTLE PEAS

A chant

Ten little peas in a pea pod pressed, (Make fists)
One grew, two grew, and so did all the rest. (Release
thumb, then forefinger, then all fingers slowly.)
They grew... and grew.. and grew and never stopped. (Lift
arms slowly above head)
They grew so fat that the pea pod popped! (Lower arms to
shoulder height. Clap hands together for pop.)

I WILL PLANT A GARDEN

Sing to the tune of Old MacDonald Had a Farm

I will plant a garden green,
Then I'll watch it grow.
I'll dig some holes here in the soil,
In a nice straight row.

With a dig-dig here,
And a dig-dig there,
Here a dig, there a dig,
Everywhere a dig-dig.

I will plant a garden green,
Then I'll watch it grow.
I will plant a garden green,
Then I'll watch it grow.
In the hole I'll drop a seed,
Then each seed I'll sow.

With a drop-drop here,
And a drop-drop there,
Here a drop, there a drop,
Everywhere a drop-drop,

I will plant a garden green,
Then I'll watch it grow.
I will plant a garden green,
Then I'll watch it grow,
I'll water each plant one by one,
They'll sprout up in a row.

With a squirt-squirt here,
And a squirt-squirt there,
Here a squirt, there a squirt,
Everywhere a squirt-squirt,
I will plant a garden green,
Then I'll watch it grow.

SEEDS

A poem

A little seed for me to sow.
A little earth to make it grow.
A little hole, a little pat,
little wish, and that is that.
A little sun, a little shower,
A little while, and then, a flower!
(Add motions to go with poem)

APPLE SEED

Sing to the tune of Eency Weency Spider

Once there was an apple seed
Planted in the ground. (Planting motion.)

Down came the raindrops
Falling all around. (Raining motion.)

Out came the big sun bright
as it could be (Circle arms overhead.)

And the little, little apple seed
Grew up to be a tree. (Lift arms slowly overhead, then
spread them out like branches.)

Water Cycle Song:

(To the tune of "Oh My Darlin' Clementine")

- Evaporation, (push both palms up, palms parallel to floor)
- Condensation, (push with arms straight out to the side)
- Precipitation on my head. (Pretend to rain on head)
- Accumulation, (make arms swing back and forth and in front)
- Water Cycle, (arms rotate in circle in front)
- And we start all over again. (Turn around in place)

Parts of a Plant Song

(sing to the tune of the theme song of the Addam's Family)

Parts of a plant (Snap fingers or clap hands twice)
Parts of a plant (Snap fingers or clap hands twice)
Parts of a plant, parts of a plant, parts of a plant (Snap
fingers or clap hands twice)
There's roots (touch toes)
And stems (put hands on waist)
And leaves (wave arms out to the side)
Flowers (Circle arms overhead)
Fruit (Circle arms out to the front)
And Seeds (Wiggle fingers in front)
You roll them all together (Roll hands)
And you've got the parts of a plant (Snap fingers or clap
hands twice)
Parts of a plant (Snap fingers of clap hands twice)
Parts of a plant, parts of a plant, parts of a plant (Snap
fingers or clap hands twice)

I'm a Little Pumpkin
(to the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot")

I'm a little pumpkin
Orange and round
Here is my stem,
And there is the ground.

When I get all cut up,
Don't you shout!
Just pop me open
And scoop me out!

Ten Little Seeds
(to the tune of Ten Little Indians)

One little, two little, three little seed
Four little, five little, six little seeds
Seven little, eight little, nine little seeds
Ten little seeds for planting!

Plant, Plant, Plant Your Seeds

(to the tune of Row, Row, Row Your Boat)

Plant, plant, plant your seeds
In a little row
Water, sun, air and soil
Helps to make them grow.

Grow, grow, grow little seeds
Into food we need
Yummy, yummy, yummy food
Makes us strong, indeed!

Planting Flowers

(to the tune of Frere Jacques)

Planting flowers, planting flowers
In the ground, in the ground
Water them and they grow
Water them and they grow
All around, all around.

The Seed Cycle

(to the tune of the Farmer in the Dell)

The farmer sows his seeds
The farmer sows his seeds
Hi-ho the dairy-o
The farmer sows his seeds

Other verses:

The rain begins to fall...
The sun begins to shine...
The seeds begin to grow...
The plants grow big and tall...
The farmer cuts his crops...
Now the harvest's on...

Our Garden Needs Rain

Our garden needs rain,
It's dry outside. (sun motion with arms encircling heads)
The sun is shining,
Our plants are fried! (Silent scream motion)

Please come rain,
We need you so,
The pitter patter,
Little drops you know (fingers drum lightly on desks/tables)

It sprinkles lightly,
Let's hear it fall.
The soil ready
To have it all. (Fingers drum more loudly)

It's raining steady,
Heavier now. (palms lightly hitting desks)
I hear thunder
Oh gee! Oh wow! (drop a heavy book or make crashing
sound)

We're in for a downpour,
That's not good. (stomping feet)
Our plants can't take it,
They're in the mud.

It's passing over.(palms lightly hitting desks)
The rain is flowing. (fingers drum loudly)
I'm glad we see,
That water is slowing. (fingers drum lightly)

The storm is passing.
The clouds will thin.
I think I see
Sun peeking in. (Stop drumming and look up)

The sun is shining. (Sun motion with arms encircling
heads)
Our plants are fine.
I'm proud to say,
This garden is mine! (Stand with arms stretched widely
upward as far as they can reach)