**Planting Time**

_Tune: Row, Row, Row Your Boat_

Dig, dig, dig the earth (pretend to dig)  
Then you plant the seeds (pretend to plant)  
A gentle rain (wiggle fingers down)  
The bright sunshine (circle arms overhead)  
All flowers you will see (open arms wide)

**Way Up High**

Way up high in the apple tree  
I saw two apples looking at me  
I shoot that tree as hard as I could  
And down came the apples  
And mmm, they were good.

**The Gardener Plants the Seeds**

_Tune: The Farmer in the Dell_

The gardener plants the seeds (pretend to plant)  
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Heigh-ho, let’s watch it grow,  
The gardener plants the seeds.

Other Verses:  
The rain begins to fall...(wiggle fingers down)  
The sun begins to shine...(circle arms overhead)  
The plant begins to grow...(hands together, move upwards)  
The flower smiles at me...(big smile)

**Mary, Mary**

Mary, Mary quite contrary  
How does your garden grow?  
With silver bells  
and cockle shells  
and pretty maids all in a row.

**Lola Plants a Garden**

_By: Anna McQuinn_

[Image of a book cover: Lola Plants a Garden]
Five Little Peas
Five little peas in a pea pod pressed. (hand hand into first and put other hand on top)  
1 grew, 2 grew and so did all the rest (put fingers up and then hold up hand)  
They grew and they grew (slowly pull hands apart)  
And they did not stop (stretch arms out)  
They grew and they grew until they popped! (clap hands together)

The Apple Pie Tree
By: Zoe Hall

Fun Gardening Activity

Plant People Craft
- Pair of pantyhose  
- Potting soil  
- Grass seed  
- Miscellaneous craft supplies  
- Craft glue or glue gun

Instructions:
1) Cut a 6 to 8 inch long piece of panty hose (any color will work).  
If your piece does not include a toe, then knot one end of the hose and turn it inside out. It will end up looking like a little pantyhose bag.

2) Scoop 2 to 3 teaspoons of grass seed into the closed end. Fill the rest with potting mix and tie closed. Use your hands to gently shape the ball into a head shape.

3) Place the head in a shallow dish with the grass seed side on top. Use craft pieces to decorate. Attach with craft glue or a glue gun.

4) After glue has dried/cooled, carefully water your new plant person until the soil is thoroughly moist and place in a warm location. Check on it daily to make sure soil stays moist (if it seems to dry out quickly you can keep a reservoir of water in your dish), and within 3 to 5 days your new plant person will begin to grow “hair.”

https://kidsgardening.org/garden-activities-plant-people/

Read some of these titles about community gardens and visit a local garden near you!

Green Green by Marie Lamba  
Anywhere Garden by Phyllis Root  
Layla's Happiness by Mariahadessa Ekere Tallie  
Thank You, Garden by Elizabeth Garton Scanlon