

# How Does Your Garden Grow?

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## **Song #1: "Planting Seeds"**

Planting seeds, one by one,  
plan for rain, hope for sun.  
Our work is never done,  
no, our work is never done.

Plant a bulb, soon it will  
be a nice daffodil.  
Our work is never done,  
no, our work is never done.

A garden is a special place,  
full of life, full of grace.  
We plant our seeds and bulbs below,  
and they will grow and grow and grow.  
They will surely grow!  
(repeat)

Digging spuds from the dirt,  
lots of mud on my shirt.  
Our work is never done,  
no, our work is never done.

Ev'ry morn, year by year,  
picking corn ear by ear.  
Our work is never done,  
no, our work is never done.

Yes, they will grow and grow and grow.  
They will surely grow!

## **Scene 1**

### **Herb:**

**(the gardener)** My name is Herb, I'm the gardener here,  
the "H" is silent you know.  
I do all of the watering, and all of the  
seeds I sow!

**Flower #1:** This is our garden, a wonderful spot,  
notice our perfect rows!  
As long as the gardener "forgets-me-not,  
"just about anything grows!

**Flower #2:** The garden has flowers and vegetables  
and even a fruit tree or two.  
There are carrots and onions, tomatoes and beans  
to make a hearty stew!

**Child**

**(or Herb):** Let's hear a song from the flowers,  
they love to swoon and croon.  
And except for bragging,  
they usually sing right in tune!

### **Song #2: "We Are the Loveliest Flowers"**

We are the loveliest flowers.  
Look at our petals so fair.  
After a shower, we flower for hours,  
waving our blooms in the air.

A rose is a rose is a rose is a rose,  
a tulip is something to see.  
There might be another that looks very nice,  
but none are as lovely as me!  
Oh, none are as lovely as me!

We are the loveliest flowers.  
Look at our petals so fair.  
After a shower, we flower for hours,  
waving our blooms in the air.

Oh, we are the daisies, around us birds hum.  
They know we're as sweet as can be.  
Now, there is that crazy chrysanthemum.  
He's almost as lovely as me!  
He's almost as lovely as me!

"Let's dance!"  
(Dance break)

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Look at our petals so fair.  
After a shower, we flower for hours,

waving our blooms in the air,  
waving our blooms in the air!

## **Scene 2**

- Bunny:** Aren't the flowers just beautiful?  
They always know just what to wear.  
The way they dance so dutiful,  
as if they do not have a care!
- Groundhog:** We're lucky to have a gardener  
who appreciates their blooms!  
He likes the way they smell so nice,  
like natural perfume!
- Herb:** My name is Herb, I'm the gardener here,  
the "H" is silent you know.  
I do all of the watering,  
helping the garden to grow!
- A Flower:** (alarmed) But something has happened to the gardener,  
he seems to have forgotten our needs!  
For all of a sudden, and quite uninvited  
we're being run over by weeds!

## **Song #3: "Weeds Rule!**

We're the weeds, we're cool!  
We're the weeds, weeds rule!

(Solo) Say weeds! (All) "Weeds!"  
(Solo) Say rule! (All) "Rule!"  
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(Solo) Say rule! (All) "Rule!"

We're the weeds, we're cool!  
We're the weeds, weeds rule!

## **Rap 1:**

Yo, we're the weeds and we're taking over.  
No more daisies! No more clover!  
We grow fast and everywhere.  
Precious pansies, beware!

We're the weeds, we're cool!  
We're the weeds, weeds rule!

## **Rap 2:**

We're so strong, we're so tough,



**All:** I think she heard a rumor that she was going to be Cole Slaw.

**Crabby Cabbage:** Now plants! Plants! Hear me once and for all!  
These weeds are getting too tall!  
I can't even see where my head meets the ground,  
AND I'M THE QUEEN AFTER ALL!!

**Plants:** We know we're in a terrible mess,  
this garden has been neglected!  
Our only hope is that a new gardener  
will get himself elected!

**Herb:** My name is Herb, I'm the gardener here...

**All:** (annoyed with him) The "H" is silent WE KNOW!!

**Herb:** Well I've never been so insulted, my friends!  
I can't believe my ears!  
Even the onions are mad at me  
and bringing me to tears!

I pull the weeds every other year.  
What more do you expect?  
I'm going to find a garden,  
where I'll get some respect!

(Herb, the gardener leaves)

**Vegetable #1:** Oh no, the Gardener is really upset.  
Now what are we going to do?  
The way he looked before he left,  
we may end up a stew!

**Vegetable #2:** Let's go ask the scarecrow.  
She always knows what is best.  
She got rid of all those nasty crows,  
perhaps she can do the rest!

(They go to the Scarecrow)

**Scarecrow:** (chasing away some crows)  
Don't come around here, you nasty crows,  
I'm here to take care of you!  
Fly away! Now don't you know  
I'm telling you to shoo!

**Flower #1:** Mr. Scarecrow, tell us please,  
we're at the end of our wits!  
These weeds are ruining everything,  
the cabbage is throwing fits!

**Flower #2:** When the rock garden's music was way too loud,  
you got them to stop at eight!

**Flower #3:** You made the ravens fly away  
before it was too late!

**Flower #4:** But now these weeds are out of line,  
they're causing a terrible fright!  
Tell us what we ought to do  
to get them out of sight!

**Scarecrow:** (showing off) You're right, I am the brilliant one,  
I know most everything!  
And when a problem seems no fun  
I always like to sing!

**All:** Sing!!!??

**Scarecrow:** It's not a scary song I sing,  
so don't believe the rumors!  
And with my song I think you'll see  
we'll even save late bloomers!

(He motions to a little flower who makes a muscle man pose)

**Flower #5:** But what kind of song will do any good  
to rid us of these weeds?  
Surely you must have a better plan  
to help us with our needs.

**Scarecrow:** What kind of song, you ask me now?  
I'll tell you 'til I'm hoarse!  
To get rid of weeds the song must be,  
A HOE down.....

**All:** of course!!!!

#### **Song #4: "The Garden Hoedown**

Everybody grab a hoe,  
go through the garden row by row.  
That's the way we'll save the day;  
do it with a garden hoedown!

Hoedown high, hoedown low,  
hoedown now and away we go!  
Everything is coming up green!  
We did it with a garden hoedown!

Get a spade or get a rake!  
Go get a hoe for garden's sake.  
That's the way we'll save the day;  
do it with a garden hoedown!

Hoedown high, hoedown low,  
hoedown now and away we go!  
Ev'rything is coming up green!  
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Dance Break

Hoedown high, hoedown low,  
hoedown now and away we go!  
Ev'rything is coming up green!  
We did it with a garden hoedown! Yee ha!

#### **Scene 4**

**Lawn Ornament #1:** All that happy hoeing  
has cleared away the weeds.  
And once again our garden  
has all the room it needs'.

**Lawn Ornament #2:** Now every seed has a chance to grow  
and every flower can bloom!  
Red or yellow, purple or white,  
for you there'll always be room!

**Scarecrow:** For **all** there should **always** be room!

#### **Song #5: "How Does Your Garden Grow?"**

Will you give ev'ry seed  
all the love that it needs,  
to become the best that it could be?  
Will you care that each one  
has it's day in the sun,  
and can grow in a world of harmony?

Tell me how will you do, if it's all up to you?  
How will you let them know?  
Tell me how will you care? Will you love, will you share?  
How does your garden grow?  
Tell me, how does your garden grow?

We're growing up like the seeds in our garden,  
growing up to be strong.

Growing up like the seeds in a garden,  
won't you take me along? Come along!

Will you give ev'ry seed  
all the love that it needs,  
to become the best that it could be?

Will you care that each one  
has it's day in the sun,  
and can grow in a world of harmony?

Tell me how will you do, if it's all up to you?  
How will you let them know?  
Tell me how will you care? Will you love, will you share?  
How does your garden grow?  
Tell me, how does your garden grow?

### **Scene 6:**

**Herb:** Every plant is important to me  
to make this a beautiful spot,  
and every child is important you see,  
each one a "forget -me -not!"

### **Reprise: "Garden Hoedown"**

Everybody grab a hoe,  
go through the garden row by row.  
That's the way we'll save the day;  
do it with a garden hoedown!

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