Bee Cave Public Library

Fun & Games With

SING songs such as "Oats, Peas, Beans and Barley Grow," and "Here We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush."

GUIDE your child to use their five senses to try a new food that typically grows in a garden, such as an herb.

MAKE "Garden Play Soup" outdoors with your child. Provide scissors, a big pot, plastic bowls, and spoons. Have your child snip flowers, leaves, and grass and add to water in the pot.

MAKE a flower sticky wall. Tape contact paper to a window or glass door. Gather flowers, grass, and leaves. Have your child stick the garden items to the contact paper.

GO on a garden scavenger hunt to find: *small flowers; a flower in a certain color; something that smells good; a plant with no flowers; big leaves.*

MEASURE the height of several plants. Use words such as *tall, taller, tallest* to compare the sizes.

PROVIDE cupcake liners or coffee filters, paper, glue, and markers. Encourage your child to glue the liner or filter to the paper to make a flower and draw details such as stems and leaves.

SET UP an "indoor garden" in a sensory bin with potting soil or black beans. Add scoops, trowels, small pots, and plastic plants.

CREATE a fairy garden or dinosaur garden in a pot saucer with soil, plants, rocks, and small toys.

SAY this rhyme, holding up fingers as you repeat and count down to *none*.
Out in the garden,
growing in the sun
were 5 pretty flowers
and I picked one!

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Storytime

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