

# KINDERGARTEN READINESS TIPS

## Share a story about the life cycle of a plant

*We Found a Seed*  
by  
Rob Ramsden



## Grown-up tip

Gardening together can be an amazing learning experience in a number of areas. Simply planting one seed with your child exercises their fine motor skills. By narrating what you are doing and discussing the parts of a plant you are helping to build their vocabulary. Showing them what a plant needs to survive increases their general scientific knowledge and awareness of the world around them. Perhaps most importantly, it's a lot of messy, sensory fun!



## Maytime Magic

poem by Mabel Watts

A little seed for me to sow  
(hold thumb and forefinger together)

A little earth to make it grow  
(hold up the other hand, palm up)

A little hole  
(dig a hole in palm with one finger)

A little pat  
(fold fingers over and pat)

A little wish  
(cross fingers)

And that is that  
(dust off hands)

A little sun  
(make sun with arms)

A little shower  
(fingers make rain)

A little wait  
(check watch)

and then- a flower!  
(make hands bloom like a flower)

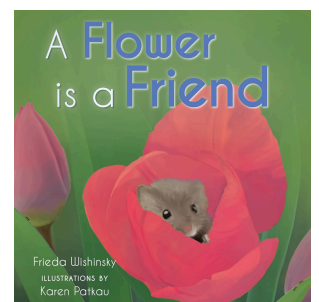
## Take a look at this!

Visit OC Public Library's Kindergarten Readiness webpage to see a video of this rhyme. Scan the QR code to find out more!



## Try this non-fiction title!

*A Flower is a Friend*  
by  
Frieda Wishinsky



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