



How does this city garden grow? With help from Li'l Sissy and her siblings – and love, love, love! A celebration of nature, family, and food. Li'l Sissy may be younger than Brother and Sister, but that doesn't stop her from helping in Uncle John's garden this summer: planting seeds, picking weeds, and weathering thunderstorms. The siblings will have to work hard if they want to enjoy fresh succotash at the big end-of-summer family barbeque.

Author Bernette Ford, inspired by her own childhood visits to her uncle's garden, and Coretta Scott King Award-winning illustrator Frank Morrison come together to capture the wonder and satisfaction of sharing your own harvest.

## Fun Facts:

- According to Unity Environmental University, urban farming is "the practice of cultivating crops, livestock, or types of food in an urban environment."
- Urban agriculture encompasses a wide range of areas including urban farming and food production, nursery and greenhouse production, sustainable turfgrass and landscape management, and urban forestry. Urban agriculture provides fresh, local food to communities and numerous environmental and social benefits as well as beautification.
- Urban agriculture offers multiple benefits, including: improved food security, enhanced nutrition, increased physical activity, community building, and environmental stewardship and conservation.
- Urban agriculture addresses challenges within urban communities including noise abatement, soil erosion and runoff, and preservation of wildlife habitats. It can also provide economic opportunities through production and distribution.
- Some of the top vegetables grown in Georgia include Vidalia onions, sweet corn, tomatoes, squash and leafy greens. Georgia vegetable producers benefit from the state's favorable climate and innovative farming techniques, such as precision agriculture and sustainable practices.

## Videos:

- AgVentures: *Piney Woods Farm*
- AgVentures: *With Farmer Fredo in Dougherty County*
- AgVentures: *Cobb County Garden*
- The Magic School Bus: *Spring Has Sprung! Phoebe Gets Planted*
- Make a Calendar of Seeds! | *Squeaks Grows a Garden!*
- Watch a Seed Sprout! | *Squeaks Grows a Garden!*

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## Activities:

- Lesson: *A Garden Plot: The Tale of Peter Rabbit for K-2*
- Lesson: *How Does Your Garden Grow? for K-2*
- Lesson: *How Does Your Garden Grow? for 3-5*
- Lesson: *Three Sisters Garden for 3-5*
- Activity: *Grow a Bean in a Bag*
- Activity: *Seed Ball Garden Activity*
- Activity: *Desktop Gardens*
- Activity: *Tops or Bottoms*
- Activity (Advanced): *AgLanta Urban Farming Kit*
- Snack: *Succotash (recipe in the back of the book)*
- Snack: *Bacon Lettuce Tomato Dip*
- Snack: *Non-Spicy Kid Friendly Salsa*
- Snack: *Vidalia Onion Dip*
- Snack: *Zucchini Pico De Gallo*
- Coloring Pages: *Garden*
- Bookmarks: *Garden*