



# A Little Seed and a Pinky Promise

A story about growing and caring

Created for Alesha Brown's Pinky Promised Childcare



## **A tiny beginning**

Mia held a little bean seed.  
“Can something so small grow?” she asked.  
“Let’s find out!” said Leo.



## **A cozy place**

They made a small hole in the soft soil.  
In went the seed. Over went the soil.  
“We promise to care for you,” said Mia.



## **A little water**

Mia tipped the watering can.

Drip, drop, drip!

“Enough to make the soil moist,” said their teacher.



## **Waiting together**

The next day, they looked. No sprout.

They checked the soil and waited.

Growing takes time—even when we cannot see it.



## **Hello, little sprout!**

One morning, something green peeked out.  
“Our seed is growing!” cheered Leo.  
Mia counted two little leaves.



## **Up, up, up**

The plant climbed. More leaves opened.  
Then tiny flowers bloomed!  
The children kept checking, watering, and  
wondering.



## **Time to gather**

Soon, green beans hung from the vines.  
With their teacher, they picked a basketful.  
“Look what our care helped grow!” said Mia.



## **A promise to share**

Their teacher cooked the beans.  
Mia tried a bite. Leo smelled one first.  
They shared their harvest—and planned their next  
seed.

# Read, wonder, and grow

A small guide for grown-ups

## **Before reading**

Show a bean seed. Ask: “What do you notice?”

## **During reading**

Count the leaves. Ask: “What could be happening under the soil?”

## **After reading**

Plant together, following the seed packet. Let children help check the soil each day.

## **Make a connection**

Ask: “What is something we can care for together?” Offer new foods without pressure; trying can begin with looking or smelling.

# A Pinky Promised Story

Small moments. Caring connections.  
Learning together.

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For shared reading with a caring grown-up.

This story welcomes every child.  
Children can join through words, gestures, pictures,  
or simply listening beside someone they trust.