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When the Pretty Flowers Grow

This sweet little finger play is a celebration of spring. You can also sing using quite a few ASL signs. See the second version of the lyrics below for specific words and a link to the animated signs.

Simplified Finger Play

When the seeds are in the ground

(hold hands out with fingers spread, and wiggle fingers, then scoop them down)

Crawling, creeping bugs are found (wiggle fingers close together in front of body)

Bugs go up and bugs go down (move wiggling fingers up and down)

When the seeds are in the ground

(hold hands out with fingers spread, and wiggle fingers, then scoop them down)

When the pretty flowers grow

(closed fingers of one hand move up through loose fist of other hand)

Bugs will come and bugs will go (wiggle fingers out and back in)

Butterflies have wings to show (hook thumbs and flutter fingers)

When the pretty flowers grow

(closed fingers of one hand move up through loose fist of other hand)

When the sun begins to shine (make circle above head)

Flowers grow upon their vine (twist hands with open fingers wiggle up in front of body)

All the bugs are feeling fine (wiggle fingers close together)

When the sun begins to shine (make circle above head)

Version with ASL signs

Go to www.aslpro.com/cgi-bin/aslpro/aslpro.cgi and look up words below written in red. This is the only ASL site I have found that has videos of all of these signs. It will take you a few minutes to look up and view all of them, but if you use a lot of ASL it will be worth it.

When the seeds are in the ground Crawling, creeping bugs are found Bugs go up and bugs go down When the seeds are in the ground

When the pretty flowers grow Bugs will come and bugs will go Butterflies have wings to show When the pretty flowers grow

When the sun begins to shine Flowers grow upon their vine All the bugs are feeling fine When the sun begins to shine

