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SEEDFOLKS

Paul Fleischman

Newbery Medal-Winning Author
Kim moved from Vietnam to live in Cleveland.

Kim wanted a garden to grow lima beans. She buried the bean seeds in the dirty park.
Chapter 2

Ana

Ana is an old woman. Ana lives in an apartment building next to the dirty park. Every morning she used her binoculars to watch Kim water her seeds from the window.
Wendell grew up on a farm in Kentucky, and lives downstairs.

from Ana. Wendell helped Kim water her dying lima beans. Wendell planted his own garden in the dirty park.
Gonzalo
Chapter 4

Gonzalo

Gonzalo's uncle was a farmer from Guatemala. He moved to Cleveland, Ohio to live with Gonzalo. His uncle planted sweet peppers in the dirty park.
Leona
Chapter 5

Leona grew up with her grandma in Atlanta, Georgia. Leona planted

Goldenrod tea seeds in the dirty park for her grandma.

Leona told the Public Health Department they needed to clean up

the dirty park.
Chapter 6

Sam

Sam is a 79 year old man. People did not trust each other. He fenced his garden so nobody would steal his pumpkins.
Virgil
Virgil's dad lived in Haiti before moving to Cleveland, Ohio. Virgil and her father planted lettuce seeds in a big garden in the dirty park. They were going to sell the lettuce to restaurants to make money.
Sae Young
Sae Young is a woman who moved from Korea to Cleveland, Ohio. Sae Young grew hot peppers in the dirty park. The garden has helped Sae Young to make new friends.
Curtis
Chapter 9

Curtis moved from Cincinnati, Ohio to be with his girlfriend in Cleveland, Ohio. Her favorite vegetable was tomatoes.

Curtis planted her a tomato garden to win her love in the dirty park.
Nora
Nora is a British woman from England. Nora is a nurse to a man in a wheelchair. Nora and the man planted flower seeds in the dirty park.
Maricela is a Mexican pregnant sixteen year old girl who quit school. Maricela does not want her baby. Maricela's parenting class planted radish plants in the dirty park.
Amir moved from India to Cleveland, Ohio to work at a fabric store. Amir grew eggplants in India. Amir started growing eggplants the dirty park in Ohio.
Florence
Florence's great grandparents were slaves who walked from Louisiana to Colorado to free themselves from slavery. Florence's father calls them Seedfolks because they were the first of Florence's family to become free in America.
Florence watches the park plants grow throughout the seasons.

In the winter she worries that nobody will be back to plant more flowers and vegetables. In the spring she saw a young girl planting lima beans in the beautiful park.

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