



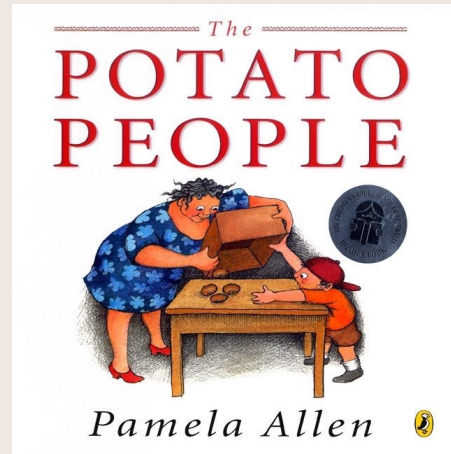
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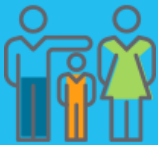
The Potato People

Pamela Allen

This is another lovely story by Pamela Allen about the friendship shared between a little boy and his grandma. Reading this book could be the starting point for all sorts of fun activities you can do together.



BEFORE READING...



- ▶ Read the title to your child. Have they ever heard of 'potato people'? What could they be?
- ▶ Look at the illustration on the cover and discuss who the characters might be. Do you think they know each other?

WHILE READING...



- ▶ Jack and Grandma do lots of fun things together each Friday when he visits. Does your child have a similar routine of going to childcare, kinder, or someone else's house? What do they do there?
- ▶ Help your child understand the illustration of all the potatoes growing underground. Explain how it's been drawn so we can see them, but Jack and Grandma can only see the dead stalks above the ground.

AFTER READING...



- ▶ Try making your own 'potato people', or perhaps 'yoghurt tub people', 'pinecone people', or 'playdough people'. Get creative and help your child come up with ways of making features on their people.
- ▶ Do you have your own garden or a community garden you can get involved with? Gardening is a great pastime for children and adults and can be done in a small or large space.

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