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# Sunflower

In summer, tall sunflowers  
grow in fields.

Each plant has a huge yellow  
flower.



# How did it get that way?

Sunflowers can grow  
taller than people.







Every sunflower starts out as a seed.

After the seed is planted and watered, it grows.





First, **roots** stretch into the moist soil.

Then a green **shoot** pokes out of the ground.

Plants need water to live and grow. They take in water from the soil with their roots.

**roots**

**shoot**

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A tall sunflower grows in a field. It was once a small seed. So how did it get so big? Look inside to discover how sunflowers grow from seeds to seedlings to larger plants that produce beautiful flowers.

**Apple**  
**Coconut**  
**Cranberry**

**Oak Tree**  
**Pumpkin**  
**Sunflower**

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