

# The Potato People by Pamela Allen



- Listen to Mrs Kerr read the story on SeeSaw. Discuss :
  - What you do with your Gandparents?
  - What do you like doing on a rainy day?
  - How did Grandma feel when Jack didn't visit? How did they feel when Jack came back?
- Make a potato person out of a potato and materials around the house. Put toothpicks into the side of the potato then balance it in a glass with half of the potato submerged. Observe the roots grow over time.
- Plant some old potatoes in the garden, observe as the plants sprout and grow then harvest when ready.
- Cut a potato in half, can cut shapes into the cut end, and dip into paint to make potato prints on paper. (stamping) To extend this activity write numbers on the paper and stamp the quantity which matches  
eg. 4 ★ ★ ★ ★
- Draw and picture and 'write' a letter to post to a grandparent or relative you have not been able to visit.
- Help Mum or Dad make mashed potato. What other foods can you think of that start with a "P" *sound not letter name*.
- Play hide and seek with your family.
- If it rains, put on your gumboots and raincoats to go out in the garden. What do you see? What do you hear? What do you smell? What can you feel? Can you taste the rain?
- Sing the song and watch "One potato"  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=efMHLkyb7ho> ;
- Sing and dance to "Hot potato, by the Wiggles"