

Vocabulary	Knowledge Organizer - <i>Seedfolks</i> by Paul Fleischman			
stereotype	Characters			
suspiciously	Kim (pp 1-4)	A 9-year-old Vietnamese girl who starts the garden. She plants lima beans in the vacant lot to honor her father.	Sae Young (pp 45-50)	A Korean woman in her 40's who grows hot peppers and buys the funnels to help with the water. Before the garden, she was afraid to leave her house.
vacant	Ana (pp 5-10)	An 82-year-old woman from Romania who likes to watch the world out her window. She used to work for the parole department. She sees Kim planting her beans.	Curtis (pp 51-58)	A 28-year-old black man who grows tomatoes to win back the love of his ex-girlfriend, Lateesha. He also helps Royce contribute to the garden.
immigrate	Wendell (pp 11-16)	A white man in his 40's or 50's from Kentucky who is a school janitor. He cleans trash from the vacant lot and is the first to add to the garden.	Nora (pp 59-65)	A middle-aged white woman from England who helps Mr. Myles, an elderly man, in the garden.
thrive	Gonzalo (pp 17-22)	An 8th-grade boy from Guatemala who brings his Uncle, Tio Juan, to the garden each day and helps him plant pepper seeds.	Maricela (pp 66-72)	A 16-year-old Mexican teenager who is pregnant and is being forced to work in the garden by the teen pregnancy program director. She grows radishes, squash, and swiss chard.
domestic	Leona (pp 23-28)	A black woman from Atlanta in her 40's who plants goldenrod to honor her grandmother. She also fights with the city to get the lot cleaned up.	Amir (pp 73-81)	A man in his 30's or 40's from India who grows carrots, eggplants, onions, and cauliflower. He learns the people from other cultures are <i>human</i> .
decline	Sam (pp 29-35)	A white Jewish 78-year-old man who wants to bring people together as a community and who comes up with a water contest to solve the water problem. He lets a Puerto Rican teenager plant a row of pumpkins in his garden.	Florence (pp 82-87)	A black woman in her 60's who cannot actively participate in the garden because of her arthritis, but she watches it. Her family was the first black family in the county. She coins the term "Seedfolks."
oblige	Virgil	A 5th-grade black boy from Haiti who helps his father grow lettuce	Royce	A 15-year-old black teenager who is homeless and ends up helping in the
solitary	Author's Tools			
foe	Monologue	A long speech given by a character or performer (they are the only one speaking)		
	Point of View	First person (the narrator is telling the story from his/her perspective; look for "I")		
	Figurative Language			
	Simile	The comparison of 2 unlike things using the words "like" or "as" (Example: My hands are as cold as ice.)		
	Metaphor	The comparison of 2 unlike things (Example: My hands are ice cubes!)		
	Personification	Giving human characteristics to something nonhuman (Example: The leaves danced in the wind.)		

