

Roots, Stems, Leaves

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CHORUS:

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six parts, six parts, six plant parts That plants and people need. The

roots hold the plant in the ground They gather up the water that falls around And

there's a root in - side of me because a car-rot is a root that I eat. That's six parts,

six parts, six plant parts That plants and people need.

VERSE:

A stem is an elevator growing up from the ground
 The water goes up and the sugar back down
 And there's a stem inside of me
 Because celery is a stem that I eat.

The leaves are the kitchens where the food is done
 They breathe the air and catch rays from the sun.
 And there's a leaf inside of me
 Because lettuce is a leaf that I eat.

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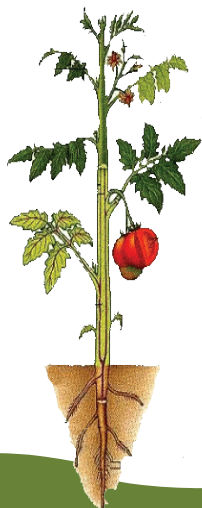
The flowers are dressed so colorfully
 They hold the pollen and attract the bees
 And there's a flower inside of me
 Because cauliflower is a flower that I eat.

The fruit gets ripe, then it falls on down
 It holds the seeds and feeds the ground.
 And there's a fruit inside of me
 Because an apple is a fruit that I eat.

The seeds get buried in the earth
 And the cycle starts again with a new plant's birth
 And there are seeds inside of me
 Because sunflower is a seed that I eat.

Now you know what this whole world needs,
 It's roots, stems, leaves, flowers, fruits, and seeds.
 There's six plant parts inside of me
 Because a garden salad is what I eat.

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And there's a root inside of me
Because a carrot is a root that I eat.
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