

Once upon a time a man found a seed in an old glass jar.

It had been sitting on a dark and dusty shelf in his tool shed for many years.

He wondered what sort of plant it would be if he planted it in his garden.

He found a spot in his vegetable patch and started to dig.

When the ground was ready, in went the mystery seed.

The man and his wife watered and checked it every day.

And then one fine day, a little green shoot pushed itself out of the ground.

It stretched up tall and fresh into the bright sunshine.

The man saw it and rushed to tell his wife the exciting news.

'Our mystery seed has sprouted, my dear! Come and have a look!'

'Oh yes! You're right! And if I'm not mistaken, this new arrival in our garden is a turnip.'

After another week the man and his wife noticed something else.

'Our turnip is growing faster than turnips normally grow!'

'We seem to have a champion on our hands, and that's a fact!'

The turnip kept growing faster and bigger and stronger than ever.