

**Scene 1 – Opening Sequence**

**Scene 2 – Opening Song**

**Scene 3 – Veggie sketch**

JOAN AND COLIN ARE AT THE WINDOW  
TRYING TO SEE OUTSIDE THE NURSERY INTO  
THE ALLOTMENT.

**JOAN**

It looks like a lovely day out  
there in Mr Bloom's allotment.  
And the tiddlers will be here to  
play soon!

**COLIN**

Excited bean!

**JOAN**

Compo, you'll let us know  
when they're coming. Won't  
you?

COMPO TOOTS

THE MARROW (FROM LATER IN THE  
EPISODE) ENTERS

**MARROW**

'Scuse me. Mind if I set up the  
fun fair?

**JOAN**

Did you say 'Fun fair'?

**MARROW**

Yeah. Fun fair. I'll just get on  
with it, shall I?

**JOAN**

Oo! Yes please!

**MARROW**

Ta very much. (TURNS AND  
ADDRESS PEOPLE OFF  
SCREEN) Alright, you lot. Let's  
get started!

WE HEAR THE NOISE OF THE FAIR STARTING  
TO BE SET UP. HAMMERING, MACHINERY,  
DRILLING ETC.

MARROW STAYS IN SHOT.

**MARROW**

Put the dodge 'ems over there.  
That's right....

**COLIN**

Excited bean! Circus ready?

**MARROW**

Not yet.

**JOAN**

Colin, you'll have to wait. Some  
things take time.

COLIN QUIVERS WITH EXCITEMENT.

**MARROW**

(TO SOMEONE OFF) Can you  
put the funny mirrors over the  
there. Nice one...

**COLIN**

Excited bean! Circus ready?

**MARROW**

Not yet.

**JOAN**

Colin, it's really important you  
learn to be patient.

**MARROW**

(TO SOMEONE OFF) Yeah,  
Careful with the candy floss  
machine.

**JOAN**

Candy floss? I love candy  
floss!! It must be ready by now!  
I'm off!

JOAN CHARGES OFF AT SPEED.

COMPOSTARIUM TOOTS

**MARROW**

What was does that noise mean?

**COLIN**

Tiddlers are here!

MARROW LOOKS TOWARDS WINDOW.

WIPE TO ALLOTMENT

**Scene 4 – Mr Bloom and the Children in the Allotment**

**4.1 – Mr Bloom shows the Children his Leeks**

MR BLOOM GREETES THE CHILDREN AS THEY ENTER.

**MR BLOOM**

I need to check on my Leeks.  
Fancy coming?

MR BLOOM LEADS THEM TO THE LEEKS.  
THEY POINT OUT FAT LEEKS, THIN LEEKS,  
LITTLE LEEKS AND A VERY BIG LEEK  
INPARTICULAR.

**MR BLOOM**

Those are little ones aren't they  
[NAME]? Cor! Look [NAMES]  
found a whopper!

EVERYONE GATHERS AROUND THE BIG  
LEEK.

**MR BLOOM**

Shall we pull this fellow up and  
see how big he really is?

THE CHILDREN AGREE. MR BLOOM TAKES  
HOLD OF THE LEEK. HE INSTRUCTS A CHILD  
TO TAKE HOLD OF HIM, THE NEXT CHILD  
TAKES HOLD OF THE OTHER & SO ON. AFTER  
A GOOD '1, 2, 3 HEAVE', IT POPS OUT THE  
GROUND. THE CHILDREN BRUSH THE SOIL  
FROM ITS ROOTS.

**MR BLOOM**

And to think, all this grew from  
a tiny seed. Do you know how  
tiny that is? Very! Look...

MR BLOOM PUTS A TINY LEEK SEED ON HIS  
HAND.

**MR BLOOM**

What starts as a tiny seed  
[IDENTIFY], grows into a little  
leek [IDENTIFY], and from a  
little leek grows into a bigger  
and bigger leek!

MR BLOOM PICKS UP THE BIG LEEK AND  
MARVELS AT IT.

**MR BLOOM**

It doesn't grow in one big go,  
mind you, it happens very  
slowly. But perhaps if we watch  
closely we can see it  
happening. Fancy trying?

THE CHILDREN AGREE AND SETTLE DOWN  
TO WATCH THE LEEKS GROW. EVERYONE  
CONCENTRATES HARD, BEING STILL SO AS  
NOT TO DISTURB THEM BUT NOTHING  
HAPPENS. MR BLOOM EVEN STARTS TO  
SNORE. THE CHILDREN WAKE HIM UP.

**MR BLOOM**

Brrrgh! What did I miss?

**CHILDREN**

[EXPLAIN NOTHING HAS  
HAPPENED]

**MR BLOOM**

No, it's not very exciting is it.  
Perhaps growing takes longer  
than we thought? What else is  
growing round here?

MR BLOOM LOOKS ABOUT BEFORE  
FOCUSING ON THE CHILDREN.

**MR BLOOM**

[NAME] are you growing?  
[RESPONSE] What about

[NAME] & [NAME]?  
[RESPONSE]. Lets see what  
we can see then?

EVERYBODY FACES EACH OTHER TO SEE IF  
THEY CAN CATCH A GLIMPSE OF EACH  
OTHER GROWING. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT NOT  
TO LAUGH AND SOON THEY'VE GOT THE  
GIGGLES.

**MR BLOOM**

I saw lots of giggling but no  
growing. What about you?

**CHILDREN**

[RESPONSES]

**MR BLOOM**

Well don't worry. I'm sure  
you're all growing, it just takes  
time that's all. In fact it's taken  
me ages to grow as big as I am  
today.

MR BLOOM TURNS TO THE COMPOSTARIUM  
WHERE HE OPENS A DRAWER AND TAKES  
OUT AN OLD PHOTOGRAPH ALBUM.

**MR BLOOM**

In here are some photographs  
of when I was your age. You'll  
probably laugh! That's okay!

THEY GATHER TO SEE A PHOTO OF A MR  
BLOOM AS A BABY – WITH THE HAT AND A  
DUMMY.

**MR BLOOM**

[PICTURE] Way back then, I  
was smaller than the  
Compostarium. [WIDE SHOT  
TO REVEAL], But now, I'm  
taller than the Compostarium.  
Growing just takes time and in  
this case, it's taken years.

THE CHILDREN MAKE PLAYFUL GUESSES  
ABOUT MR BLOOMS AGE.

COMPOSTARIUM ALERT GOES OFF.

THE CHILDREN FILL IT UP WITH THINGS  
FROM THE GARDEN AND THE  
TRANSFORMATION BEGINS.

**Scene 5 – Compo Feeding Rhyme &  
Transformation**

**Scene 6 – Kids & Mr. Bloom enter the Nursery**

**Scene 8 – Meet the Veggies song**

**Scene 8.1 – Washing hands**

[MR BLOOM & KIDS ENTER THE NURSERY.  
WIPE FEET, TAKE OFF COATS, WASH HANDS  
ETC]

**Scene 8.2 – Intro to fair**

**UPPER BED:**

**LOWER BED:** RAYMOND (ENTERS), JOAN

**FGD BED:** MINI MARQUEE SET DRESSING

**OTHER:** HELTER SKELTER,

MERRY-GO ROUND

MR BLOOM & KIDS STAND CAM R OF BEDS.  
THEY LOOK AROUND AND SEE THAT THE  
FAIR HAS COME TO TOWN IN THE NURSERY.  
WE CAN SEE A SMALL MARQUEE, FESTOON  
LIGHTING, & THE BIG CENTREPIECE IS THE  
HELTER SKELTER. THERE IS ORGAN MUSIC  
AND OFF SCREEN NOISES FROM THE RIDES  
CAN BE HEARD. JOAN APPROACHES MR  
BLOOM.

**MR BLOOM**

Hello there you JOAN. What's  
going on here?

**JOAN**

Oh, I'm so glad you're all here.  
Look, the Compostarium's  
opened its fairground rides.

**MR BLOOM**

I know. Doesn't it look  
brilliant?!

RAYMOND ENTERS CAM L WEARING A  
BASEBALL CAP WITH A HELTER-SKELTER  
IMAGE ON THE FRONT. IN ADDITION IT HAS  
TWO CARTONS OF JUICE STRAPPED  
EITHERSIDE WITH STRAWS REACHING TO HIS  
MOUTH.

**RAYMOND**

Mr Bloom! I've been on the  
Helter-Skelter five times in a  
row & I'm not even dizzy. [beat]  
Whooaaa....

RAYMOND IS VERY DIZZY AND FALLS OVER.

**MR BLOOM**

Oh, poor Raymond! Can  
someone give him a cuddle?

A CHILD GIVES RAYMOND A CUDDLE AND  
HELPS HIM UP.

**RAYMOND**

Thank you!

**JOAN**

Raymond? Would you care to  
join me on the dodge 'em?

**RAYMOND**

Ooh, yes! Vroom vroom!

JOAN AND RAYMOND EXIT CAM R TO THE  
DODGE 'EMS (NOT SEEN)

**MR BLOOM**

Now I know a runner bean who  
must be very excited about the  
Helter-Skelter! Colin? Colin!  
Can anyone see Colin?

**Scene 8.3 – Chat to Colin**

**FGD BED:** COLIN, MINI MARQUEE

KIDS LOOK AROUND FOR COLIN. THEY FIND HIM IN FGD BED, AND HE'S NOT HIS USUAL SELF. KIDS STAND L, MR BLOOM C.

**MR BLOOM**

There you are Colin. You're normally running around all excited. What's the matter?

**COLIN [SOFTLY]**

No Helter-Skelter Bean.

**MR BLOOM**

Oh, that's right.

THE SCREEN GOES WOBBLY AS WE JOURNEY INTO COLIN'S FLASHBACK.

**8.4 – Colin's Flashback #1**

[SHOT AT REDRESSED HELTER SKELTER COLIN IS RUNNING TOWARD THE HELTER-SKELTER ENTRANCE BUT IS OBSTRUCTED BY THE RIDE MANAGER, A BIG GREEN MARROW. HE SPORTS A THICK HANDLEBAR MOUSTACHE AND DESPITE HIS SIZE IS VERY FRIENDLY.]

**MR BLOOM OOV**

Last time you were too small to ride the Helter-Skelter, weren't you Colin? You went up to the Helter Skelter, but the man said you weren't big enough.

**MARROW**

Sorry my mate. If you want to ride on the Helter Skelter, you've got to be taller than that line.



**COLIN**

[Optimistically] Tall Bean?

THE MARROW REFERS TO THE RIDE RESTRICTION SIGN BEHIND COLIN. IT HAS A THICK BLACK LINE RUNNING HORIZONTALLY. COLIN STANDS BY THE LINE & IS CLEARLY NOT TALL ENOUGH TO RIDE.

**COLIN**

[sadly] Small Bean...

**MARROW**

I'm afraid you've got some growing to do.

THE SCREEN WOBBLES & DISSOLVES INTO...

**8.5 - Colin's Flashback #2**

[SAME LOCATION: PERHAPS PLANTS AROUND ARE A LITTLE HIGHER?

COLIN APPEARS WEARING A TOP HAT. HE MARCHES PURPOSEFULLY TOWARD THE RIDE, ACKNOWLEDGING THE SIGN AS HE PASSES. WITH THE HAT ON HE'S TALL ENOUGH TO RIDE. THE MARROW'S MOUSTACHE HAS GROWN.

**MR BLOOM OOV**

And then you went back a little bit later, trying to look all big and tall. But it didn't really work, did it?

**COLIN**

[Optimistically] Tall Bean?

AS COLIN LOOKS UP THE TOP HAT TIPS BACKWARDS OFF OF HIS HEAD. THWARTED, COLIN HANGS HIS HEAD AND MARCHES BACK PAST THE SIGN, SHOWING THAT WITHOUT THE HAT HE'S TOO SMALL.

**COLIN**

[sadly] Small Bean...

**MARROW**

Sorry my mate, you've still got  
some growing to do!

THE SCREEN WOBBLER & DISSOLVES INTO...

### **8.6 Colin's Flashback #3**

**COLIN IS DRESSED IN A  
TALL TRENCHCOAT AND  
WHEN PASSING THE SIGN,  
IS SEEN TO BE TALLER  
THAN THE BLACK LINE.**

#### **MR BLOOM OOV**

And then you got the Wee  
MacGregors to help you to be  
tall enough, didn't you?!

COLIN APPROACHES THE ENTRANCE. THE  
MARROW'S MOUSTACHE HAS GROWN AND  
THEY BOTH MEET EYE TO EYE.

#### **COLIN**

Tall Bean! Whoa! Wobbly  
bean!

THE TRENCH COAT COMES UNDONE  
REVEALING COLIN TO BE BALANCING ON THE  
WEE MACGREGORS. ONCE EXPOSED THE  
RADISHES DISPERSE LEAVING COLIN TO  
COME DOWN WITH A BUMP. THE MARROW  
SIMPLY SHAKES HIS HEAD.

#### **COLIN**

[sadly] Small Bean...

#### **MARROW**

Sorry my mate, but one day  
you'll be tall enough!

THE SCREEN WOBBLER OUT OF COLIN'S  
FLASHBACK...

### **8.7 – Back at the Fairground**

**UPPER BED:**

**LOWER BED:** COLIN, MARGARET ENTERS

**FGD BED:**

**OTHER:**

...INTO THE PRESENT DAY. COLIN LOOKS  
DISMAYED.

**MR BLOOM**

But that was a long time ago  
Colin. You'll have grown since  
then.

MARGARET ENTERS CAM R, WEARING  
SPARKLY DEELY BOPPERS.

**MARGARET**

Hello, Mr Bloom!

**MR BLOOM**

Hello Margaret. Enjoying the  
fun of the fair?

**MARGARET**

Oh yes. But I was wondering if  
Colin wanted to go on the  
Helter Skelter with me?

**COLIN**

Small bean.

**MR BLOOM**

Colin! You've grown! Does  
anyone remember the leeks  
outside. How big were then  
when they were little seeds?  
And how big was the biggest  
leek? Can we ever see the  
grow? We just don't notice it!  
Growing just takes time.

**MR BLOOM**

So let's go and see if Colin's  
big enough for the Helter  
Skelter eh?

TWO KIDS PICK UP  
MARGARET AND COLIN,  
MOVE TO UPPER BEDS.

### **8.8 – Move over to the Helter-Skelter**

**LOWER BED:** L TO R: MARROW (BGD CHANNEL), COLIN, MARGARET.

KIDS PLACE MARGARET & COLIN DOWN INTO LOWER BED.  
MR BLOOM AND THE KIDS STAND CAM L OF HELTER SKELTER.

### **8.9 – Success at last**

COLIN TENTATIVELY APPROACHES THE ENTRANCE. THE MARROW HAS A HUGE MOUSTACHE.

#### **MARROW**

Well, look at you. You've grown since I last saw you!

#### **COLIN**

Tall bean?

THE MARROW MOVES ASIDE, REVEALING COLIN TO BE TALL ENOUGH.

#### **MARROW**

Tall bean! Tall enough to go on to the Helter Skelter!

#### **COLIN**

Yay!

COLIN SQUEALS WITH JOY AND RUNS ABOUT, THEN DISAPPEARS THROUGH THE ENTRANCE TO THE HELTERSKELTER.

MARGARET FOLLOWS HIM.

### **8.10 – Watching Raymond**

**LOWER BED:** L TO R: MARROW (BGD CHANNEL), MARGARET, RAYMOND, JOAN

DEV TO REVEAL CAM R: RAYMOND & JOAN  
(WHO HAS CANDYFLOSS STUCK IN GROUND)

**MR BLOOM**

Look, Colin's on the Helter-  
Skelter!

EVERYONE LOOKS UP TO SEE COLIN  
EMBARK ON HIS FIRST HELTER-SKELTER  
JOURNEY.

**8.11 – Colin's ride**

HE GIGGLES WILDLY ALL THE WAY DOWN  
BEFORE PLOPPING OUT THE END.  
EVERYONE CHEERS HIM UPON ARRIVAL.

**8.12 – The others slide down**

**EVERYONE**  
**Well done Colin / Brilliant**  
**etc....**

**COLIN**  
Slidey Bean! Speedy Bean!  
Again, again, again!

MARGARET SLIDES DOWN.

RAYMOND AND JOAN GO THROUGH, SLIDE  
DOWN

ALL REGROUP WITH KID HELP

**8.13 – Conclusion**

**UPPER BED:** L TO R: COLIN, MARGARET,  
RAYMOND

**LOWER BED:** L TO R: MARROW, JOAN

**FGD BED:** SEBASTIAN

SEBASTIAN ENTERS. ON FGD BED

**MR BLOOM**

Hello Sebastian, did you have  
a go on Helter Skelter?

**SEBASTIAN**

No, no. Not for me. It makes  
me feel a little queasy. I would  
rather sing...

SEBASTIAN SINGS HIS SONG

**Scene 9 – Sebastian Song Introduction**

**SEBASTIAN**

Episode specific verse xxxxxxxx

We've learned so much today –  
we've got so much done  
I think we all deserve  
To sing and dance  
And have some fun!

[ALL SING AND DANCE]

ALL:

La la la la la la la

(CHANGE OF PACE)

**MR BLOOM** (MIMED):

We've had a busy day – how the time flies  
So now you veggies must be  
Bedded down  
For the night

[KIDS BED DOWN THE VEG]

**MR BLOOM** (LIVE VOCAL SPOKEN)

Come on, Margaret, Colin, Raymond  
JOAN and Sebastian  
Settle down you cheeky Wee MacGregors  
It's time for bed

Night night veggies  
Sleep tight veggies  
And listen to my gentle tune

[CHILDREN START TO LEAVE,  
TAKING THEIR COATS. MR BLOOM LAST TO  
GO, TURNING OFF THE LIGHT]

Night night veggies

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Sleep tight veggies  
We'll see you again soon...

[LIGHT OFF, DOOR CLOSES]