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Mrs Noah muttered as she watered her vegetable garden.

"It's so dry these days," she complained. "I've never known it so dry."

She looked up to where her husband was busy with his new project.

"What on earth does Noah think he's doing building an ark?"
she asked aloud. "This place has never flooded.

"Although," she added, "we could use a bit of rain."

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The rain didn't come and Mrs Noah's watering was worth the effort.

That summer, the beans ran up their poles and the carrots grew so long that they almost lifted themselves out of the ground.

The fruit on the trees grew plump and ripe, and on their trailing vine, the pumpkins were magnificent.

But how did those two rabbits get in and start nibbling the lettuces?

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