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All day long I dig and weed and hoe and rake.
It's SOOOO hot!
"Can't we finish now?" I groan.

"Just as soon as you've planted these," says Mum. She hands me several packets of seeds. "You never know," she says, "you might grow something REALLY exciting."

"As if!" I mutter, but just to please her, I rip open the packets and fling some seeds over the soil. Done! At least now I can look forward to playing in the TIDY garden tomorrow.

The next morning it's dark and gloomy.
Just my luck! But, when I open my window,
I can't believe my eyes. Outside is a thick
tangle of huge green leaves.

They DEFINITELY weren't there yesterday!

This is CRAZY!

I race out into the garden to see what else has
grown and . . .

WOOOAAAHHH!

I tumble headlong into a hole, a very DEEP,
very WIDE, very STRANGE hole indeed.
It looks like an ENORMOUS footprint made
by some humungous creature.

But that's just silly –
the only animal that big would be . . .