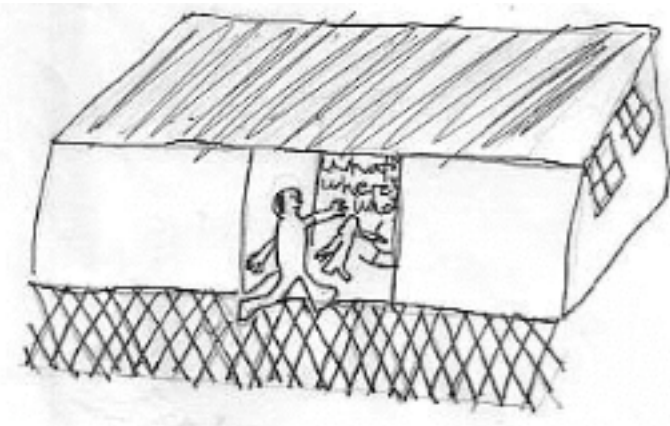


# Reflections on *Seedfolks*

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## Comparing and Contrasting Sam and Florence

Sam and Florence are both very kind and helpful. The garden gave them both happiness. It gives them a place to be who they are and in a sense that's what they long for. They both enjoy seeing the community work together. Sam is a male and Florence is a female. I believe they were both well-intentioned. Florence is married although I suspect Sam isn't. Neither has any children. I'm not sure how old Florence is, Sam is seventy-eight. In conclusion they are both good people, and I respect them.



## What I Admire About Sam

I admire Sam because of his kindness and his effort to promote well-being. He is a seventy-eight year old man and his whole life he has been friendly and helpful. He always tends to have a positive attitude. He considered smiling at people an "occupation" since he retired. In conclusion he always seems to enjoy himself and that's why I like him.

## Analyzing a Quote From Sam

"Sewing up the rips in the neighborhood"(p. 31)

Sam is speaking. Sam is a peacemaker, he talks to people and if he's lucky gets them talking to each other. Sam plants pumpkins in the book and from the description of him in the book I feel like he's a well intended person. He mends friendships. That's where the quote comes from. So just from that quote I assume he's probably not a bad guy.

The garden is a place where the community works together, they share, give, and compromise over crops and tools. To me Sam represents friendship and teamwork. It's important because it represents friendship and in a way cooperation. I can connect it to the text because the garden is about helpfulness, cooperation, and friendliness. Without Sam and his good deeds it wouldn't be all that. Sam realizes the garden is its own community and he works to become a part of garden.

In the real world it's important to carry the attitude that Sam has. The quote is related to something antiwar protesters might say. To me Sam is an antiwar protester, or he has the same actions as one. I can connect the quote and personality to many people I know and the things they say because I'm in the midst of them everyday. In a way I carry that vague idea also from the influence of my family.