Can you help the Cat in the Hat find plants that are different?
(with apologies to Dr. Seuss)

**SIZE**
Find a plant that’s taller than you,  
Not shorter, but taller,  
Taller than who?  
Taller than you!

Find a plant that has leaves  
Longer than your thumb.  
Can you also find  
Where it comes from?

Find a plant smaller than your hand,  
A tiny little thing,  
So small—smaller than your hand,  
With its roots in the sand.

**TEXTURE**
Find a plant whose leaves  
Look soft and furry.  
They may feel that way, too,  
If you’re not in a hurry.

Find a plant that has leaves—  
and this might sound dumb—  
But these leaves have teeth!  
Watch out for your thumb!

Find a tree with a spiky trunk—  
What do you think?  
(Or is it “what do you thunk?”)  
About a tree with a spiky trunk?

**SMELL**
Find a plant with a nice smell,  
Not one that offends,  
But one that perfumes,  
And would be easy to sell!

Find a plant with a terrible smell,  
One that really stinks,  
One that really reeks,  
Your nose will be able to tell!

**HOME**
Find a plant that lives in a tree,  
Like a squirrel or an owl,  
Or a cat that can howl,  
Is that a good place to be?

Find a plant that lives in the soil,  
With its roots in the ground,  
You’ll find many of these,  
If you just look around.

Find a plant that lives on a rock,  
Is it all by itself, or part of a flock?  
Why would a plant want to live on a stone?  
Could it find any dirt of its own?!

Find a plant that lives in the water,  
Where the waves go pitter-patter.  
And the fish swim willy-nilly,  
Underneath the water lily.

**CHALLENGE**
Find a plant the butterflies visit  
That isn’t hard, now is it?  
They might even land on your nose,  
If you wear camouflage clothes!

Find a weird plant that you’ve never seen,  
Is it a color other than green?  
Is it purple? Or is it yellow,  
Like a curved banana fellow?

Adopt a plant you like and give it a name,  
One that is special, and not just the same.  
Take its picture, put it in a frame—  
Come back to see it. It will be glad you came!

Find a plant that makes you happy,  
Find it quick, and make it snappy.  
Love it forever, it’s ok to be sappy!

**COLOR**
One plant,  
Two plant,  
Red plant,  
Blue plant  

Old plant,  
New plant,  
Me plant,  
You plant  

Up plant,  
Down plant,  
Green plant,  
Brown plant

Look for them close and far,  
Oh what a lot of plants there are!

‘Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot nothing is going to get better. It’s not.’ - The Lorax