

MANAGING A TEAM TO SET UP A GARDEN QUIZ ANSWERS

- 1) **True or False: If you are planning to prepare a piece of land that has never been planted in before, you will need at least 5 people.**

Answer: True

Explanation: Preparing a piece of land that has never been planted in before is hard physical labour. The soil is very compact and requires the physical strength of at least 5 people to break up.

- 2) **Select all correct answers: When creating a large garden, which of these tools are NOT essential?**

Answer: Gloves
Gum Boots

Explanation: Whilst gloves and gum boots may be nice extra items to make you more comfortable as you create a garden, they are not essential. Without gloves and gum boots you will still be able to create the garden.

- 3) **True or False: If you don't plan to prepare the soil from scratch, you only need to have one person available for the training.**

Answer: False

Explanation: Even if you don't plan to prepare the soil from scratch, you will still need at least TWO people to be present for training. This is to ensure that the information you share will not be lost if one person moves away or falls ill and can no longer work in the garden.

- 4) **True or False: You will need 1m³ of compost per 50m² area of prepared soil.**

Answer: True

Explanation: 1m³ of compost will allow you to cover a 50m² area with a 4-6cm layer of compost before working it into the soil.

- 5) **Once everyone has arrived, the first thing you should do to start your training day is...**

Answer: Gather everyone in a circle in the shade for a round of introductions

Explanation: Before you do anything else, introduce yourself and ask the rest of the group to do the same. This is important for group unity on the day.

- 6) **True or False: If there are people with experience in gardening in your group, ask them to keep their knowledge to themselves so that they don't confuse the group.**

Answer: False

Explanation: If there are experienced gardeners in the group, ask them to share their knowledge. It is important to create an environment in which everyone feels like they can share their knowledge and experiences, as well as learn from you. This will create a richer learning experience for everybody

- 7) **True or False: If the ultimate goal for this project is to create a 200m² vegetable garden, you will need to prepare and plant out a 200m² area on your first training day.**

Answer: False

Explanation: You will never plant out the whole area you have planned for a vegetable garden in one go. Rather you should divide that land into quarters and plant out one quadrant a month for 4 consecutive months. As such, if you plan to end up with a 200m² garden, you should prepare and plant a 50m² area on your first training day.

- 8) **True or False: When preparing the soil for planting in, the soil needs to be free from hard debris and soft and silky to the touch. But if you are using ground soil in a grow pod the soil doesn't need to be as prepared.**

Answer: False

Explanation: Whether planting directly in the ground, or using ground soil in your grow pod, the soil needs to be thoroughly prepared and soft and silky to the touch. You don't want hard soil, full of rocks and clumps of roots in your grow pod.

- 9) **Which of the following is NOT a step when preparing the soil:**

Answer: Remove all earthworms before breaking the soil so that they don't get hurt

Explanation: If you were to attempt to move all earthworms out of harms way before preparing the soil, soil preparation would take you days, rather than hours. This is unrealistic and impractical. You are unlikely to hurt all the earthworms in the soil as you prepare it for planting.

- 10) **True or False: The Garden Care and Maintenance Training is not relevant for people who will be caring for a Grow Pod Garden.**

Answer: False

Explanation: This theoretical training on how to care for your garden is just as relevant to small Grow Pod gardens as it is for large gardens.