

How to plant a tree in our school yard

Materials you will need :

Shovel
Hoe
Tree (in a pot)
Compost or fertilizer
Water
A protective coating (eg, straw or wood pulp)

Steps for Planting

- Find a spot in the yard that has enough sun and room for the tree to grow.
- Make sure there are no underground pipes or cables.
- Dig a hole that is at least twice as wide as the tree's root and deep enough to accommodate the entire root system.
- Keep the soil you removed.
- Remove the tree from the pot and carefully untangle the roots if they are too tight.
- Cut off any broken or extra long roots.
- Place the tree in the center of the hole. The base of the trunk should be level with the ground.
- Backfill the hole with the soil you removed, adding some compost or compost for nutrients.
- Lightly compact the soil around the tree so there are no air gaps.
- Water the tree well to make sure the soil makes good contact with the roots.
- Add a protective coating around the tree, leaving a small gap around the trunk. This will help retain moisture and protect against weeds.

Answer the following questions

Why is it important to choose a suitable location for the tree?

How wide and deep should the tree hole be?

What should we do with the roots before planting the tree?

Why do we add compost or fertilizer to the soil?

How does the protective coating help the tree?
