



Martin Mulch Worksheet



Name: _____

You can compost food scraps. Write a list of as many fruits and vegetables that you know.

Fruits

Vegetables

Write two rhyming words for each word in bold type.

- Leaf** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Soil** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Flower** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Tree** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Seed** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Sun** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Rain** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Grow** 1. _____ 2. _____
- Yard** 1. _____ 2. _____

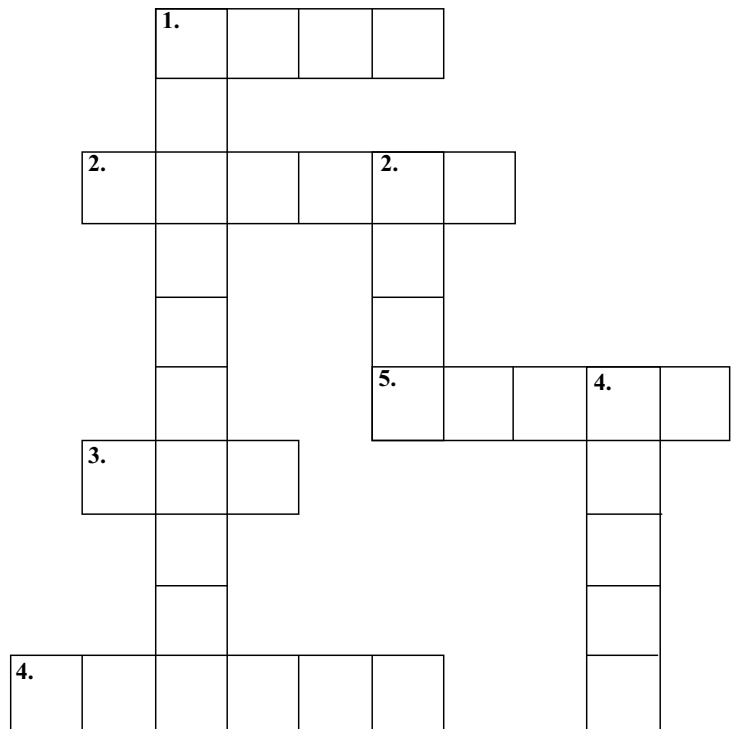
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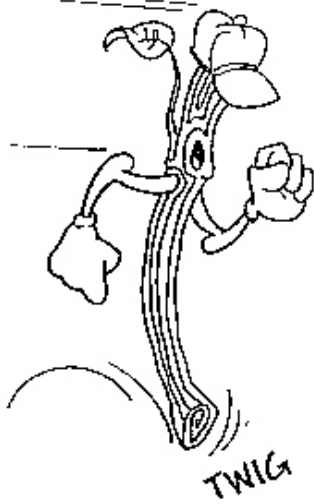
Across

- Residents can get mulch and compost _____ at SWA.
- A fruit that's color is the same as its name.
- A compost pile needs water, sunlight and _____.
- Fruit and vegetable _____ can be composted.
- _____ eat food scraps in compost piles.

Down

- Compost is a natural _____ for plants.
- Compost helps plants _____ healthily.
- _____
- At SWA, sludge is mixed with _____ to make compost.



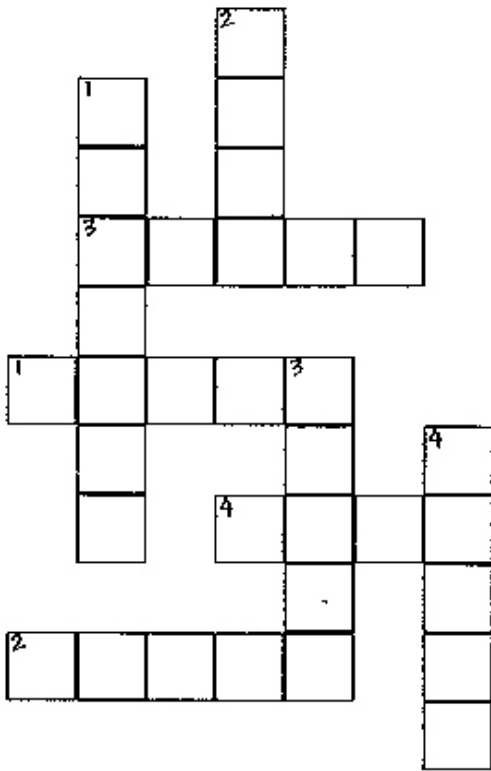


TWIG

HOW Y'ALL DOING? DID YOU KNOW THAT MOST ANYTHING FROM PALM FRONDS AND GRASS CLIPPINGS TO TEA BAGS AND NOODLES CAN BE TURNED INTO A TERRIFIC PLANT FOOD CALLED COMPOST? COMPOSTING IS A NATURAL PROCESS THAT BREAKS DOWN ORGANIC MATERIALS INTO A RICH FERTILIZER. IT MAY SOUND COMPLEX, BUT IT'S REALLY NOT. SO WHY NOT GIVE IT A TRY? IT'S AN EASY AND FUN WAY TO RECYCLE A WASTE PRODUCT RIGHT AT HOME...



MARTIN MULCH

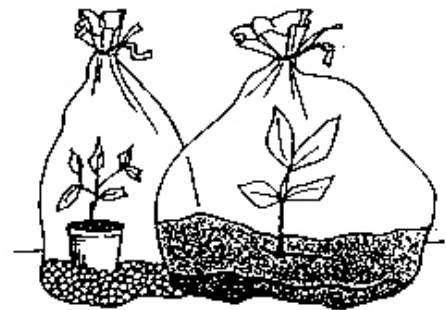


ACROSS

1. THESE LONG, SLIMY ORGANISMS LIVE IN THE EARTH AND CAN BE USED TO RECYCLE FOOD SCRAPS.
2. WHATEVER YOU DON'T USE OR REUSE BECOMES _____.
3. THIS CONSISTS OF GROUND-UP TWIGS AND LEAVES.
4. WHAT GROWS ON YOUR HEAD THAT CAN BE COMPOSTED TOO?

DOWN

1. A NATURAL PLANT FOOD THAT YOU CAN MAKE IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD.
2. WHAT SHOULD YOU PLANT SEEDS IN?
3. YOUR COMPOST PILE SHOULD RECEIVE EQUAL AMOUNTS OF SUN AND _____.
4. THE GREEN TURF IN YOUR YARD THAT REQUIRES MOWING.



GREENHOUSE GARDEN

YOU CAN MAKE YOUR OWN GREENHOUSE BY USING A PLASTIC BAG. JUST FILL A CONTAINER WITH POTTING SOIL AND PLANT A CUTTING IN IT. ADD ENOUGH WATER SO THAT THE SOIL BECOMES MOIST. THEN PUT SOME SAND OR PEBBLES IN THE BOTTOM OF A PLASTIC BAG, AND PUT THE PLANTING CONTAINER INSIDE. TIE OFF THE TOP OF THE BAG WITH A RUBBER BAND. PLACE THE GREENHOUSE IN A LIGHTED SPOT, BUT NOT IN DIRECT SUNLIGHT

