



Home & Garden

Gardening provides family enjoyment and exercise

When times are tough, many families start to cut down on leisure activities. Instead of going out to the movies, or for a bite to eat, numerous Canadians choose inexpensive activities they can do at home.

One such activity - gardening - can help save a little money, take a step toward improving the environment, provide good physical exercise and save money on the family food bill. It is also one activity in which the whole family can participate.

Having a successful garden does not require extensive

knowledge - or a green thumb. Here are some tips beginning gardeners need to follow:

✓ Take photos of your lawn and house and take them to the nursery. They will help determine what types of greenery will look good and grow best in your yard.

✓ Use composts, mulches and organic fertilizers to help soil stay healthy. Good soil is essential to the growth of any plant because it holds vegetation in place while retaining moisture and nutrients.

✓ Prune plants by removing dead stems and leaves. It is important. By cutting away dis-

eased areas and thinning out sections to permit more sunlight, flowers will continue to blossom.

✓ Add to the look of the garden by using trellis or night lighting. Stone statues and strategically placed benches will add to the design.

✓ Keep records of all your horticultural successes and failures. If a particular plant blooms well in your garden, snap an instant photo of it and keep it in a journal for future reference. If a flower doesn't grow, keeping a photo of it will help keep you from repeating the same mistake.

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