

# How to Plant a Tree Seedling

1. LOOK for a good location for your tree. Remember its adult size.

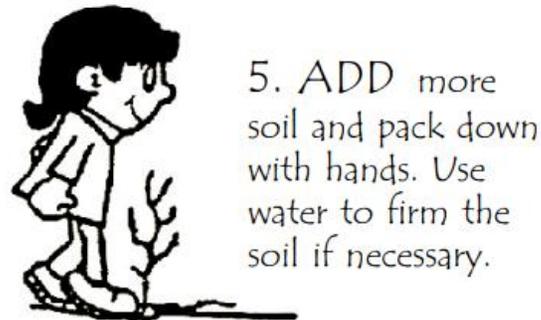


2. MOISTEN ROOTS  
Dry roots die.



3. DIG a hole two to three times larger than the roots when spread apart.

4. PLACE the tree in the hole at the proper depth and add loose soil gently.

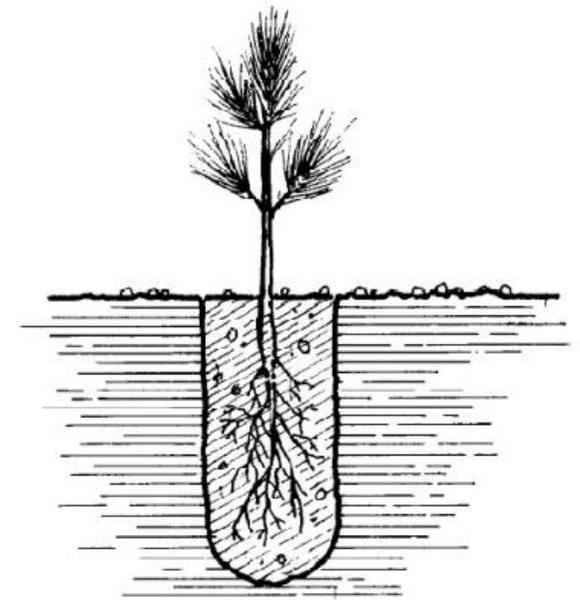


5. ADD more soil and pack down with hands. Use water to firm the soil if necessary.

6. MULCH around the tree with wood chips.



7. WATER the tree regularly, but not too often or roots may rot.



A properly planted tree seedling



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