

The Mulch Look

Book 6 · The Thirsty Afternoon

You need: A grown-up, two matching drained cups, container mix, a little locally suitable clean mulch, water, and paper.

1. Have a grown-up prepare matching cups of mix with the same starting moisture. Do not put plants in them.
2. Leave one surface bare. Cover the other lightly with mulch.
3. Keep both in the same safe place. Ask the grown-up to help compare moisture later.
4. Record what happened in your test. Different weather or materials may give different results.

Garden safely: Avoid dusty mix and unknown treated mulch. No standing-water containers. Do not dig beside roots. Wash hands after handling materials.

Another way: With permission, observe a mulched bed and draw what you see; it is an observation, not a controlled comparison.

Wonder: What would you keep the same if you repeated your comparison?

My garden notes

Name: _____ Date: _____

I noticed...

I wonder...

Next time, I could...
