

Beavers Gardener Badge

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'What Tool Do I Need'®

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Overview

For this task the Beavers will play a fun game called 'What Tool Do I Need' which will help them learn about the different tools that are available to them when they are gardening. They will use some of the tools when they make their own garden in the last task for this badge.

Preparation Before The Meeting

1. Print out the 'Gardening Task Scenarios' – found in this document - You need one copy for the leader
2. Print and cut out the 'Tool Pictures' – found in this document - You need four sets

Materials Needed

- See *preparation before the meeting*

Preparation At The Meeting

1. Spread out the tool pictures on the floor in the middle of your room face up

Directions/Leader Speak

1. **Speak** - The next task you need to do for your 'Gardener Badge' is to learn how to use some gardening tools safely. We are going to do this when we make our own garden next week, but before we do that you are going to play a fun game called 'What Tool Do I Need'.

Gardening tools make it easier for you to work in your garden but you need to know what type of tools are available and what they are used for. Because not one tool will do every job

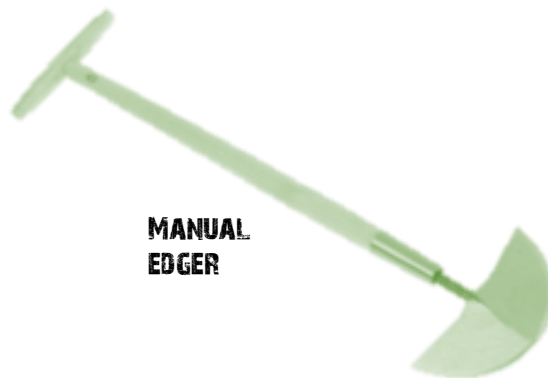
2. **Action** - Group the children into teams of two
3. **Speak** - I'm going to read out a task that you have to do in your garden and in your teams you have to run to the middle of the room and go find the right tool for the job
4. **Speak** - Bring it back to your area. We'll check if it's the correct tool, if it's not we will put it back in the middle. If it is you can keep it
5. **Speak** - The team with the most tools at the end of the game are the winners. There's a bit of a catch because we only have 4 of any one tool except the trowel so you have to be quick to pick it up
6. Good luck!
7. **Action** – Read out the scenarios one by one

Gardening Task Scenarios

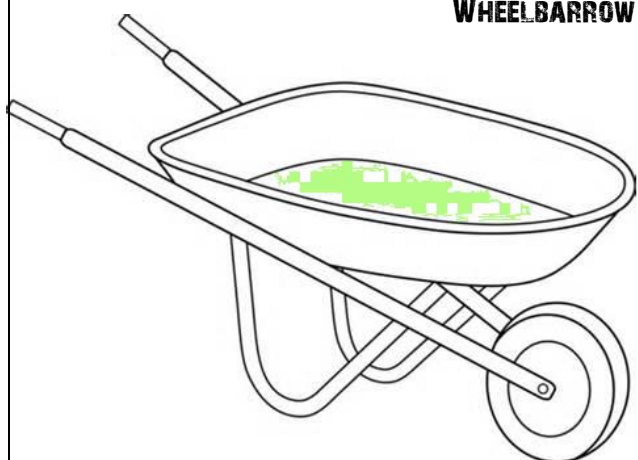
Trowel You have a big pot and want to put some soil in it so you can plant some flowers. What tool could help you?	Manual Edger You want to create a straight edge around your little lawn. What tool could help you?
Trowel You have a little pot and want to put some soil in it so you can plant some seeds. What tool could help you?	Lawn Mower You have a lovely lawn and need to cut the grass. What tool could help you?
Strimmer The edges of your flower beds look messy what tool could help you tidy them up?	Spade & Fork You want to dig over a vegetable patch to plant new vegetables. What tools could help you?
Wheelbarrow You want to transport compost from your compost bin to your vegetable patch. What tool could help you?	Watering Can Your flower pots are looking a bit dry so you need to water them. What tool could help you with this?
Hose/Sprinkler Your lawn needs watering what two tools could help you with this?	Hand Fork/Gloves You want to do some weeding. What tools could help you with this?
Secateurs Your shrubs need pruning. What tool could help you with this?	Shovel You want to put some compost from your compost bin into your wheelbarrow. What tool could help you with this?
Dutch Hoe Your large borders need weeding but you don't want to kneel down. What tool could help you with this?	Draw Hoe You want to make a shallow trench so you can plant some peas. What tool could help you with this?
Shears Your hedges need trimming. What tool could help you with this?	Rake You want to remove some dead grass from your lawn. What tool could help you with this?



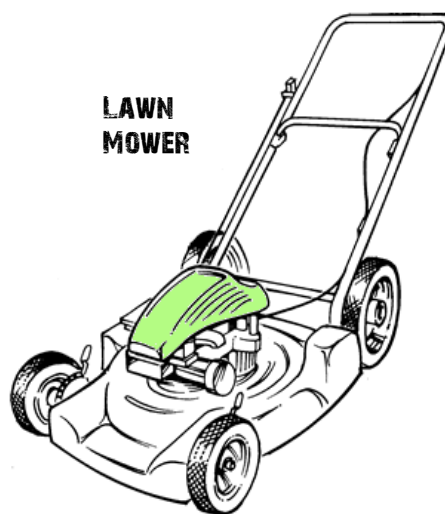
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EDGER**



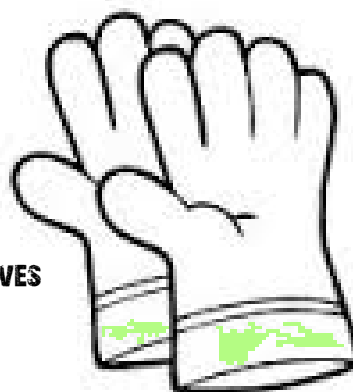
WHEELBARROW



**LAWN
MOWER**



TRIMMER



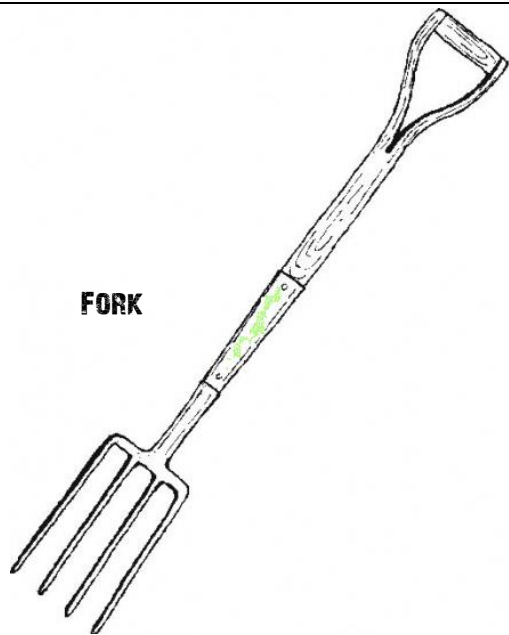
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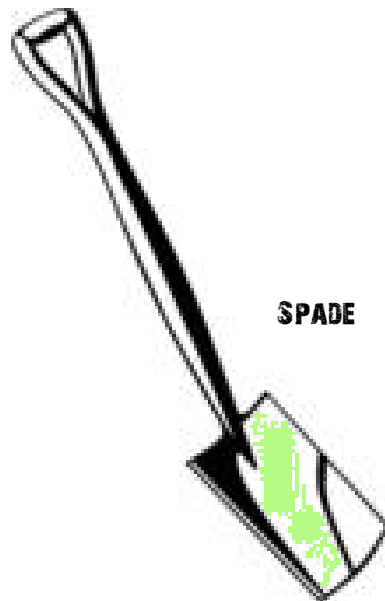
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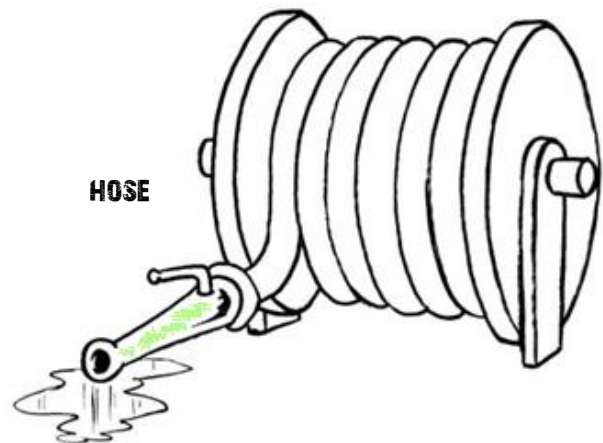
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WATERING CAN



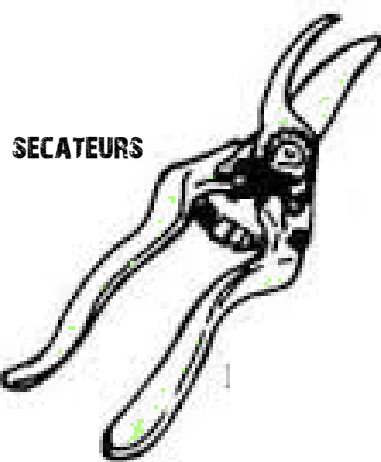
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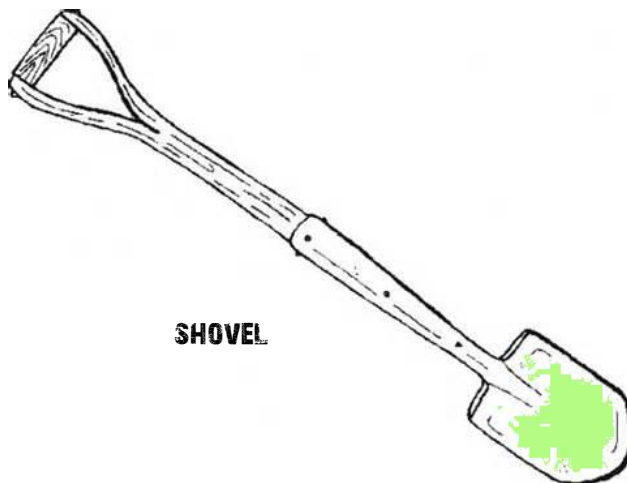
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HAND FORK



SECATEURS



SHOVEL



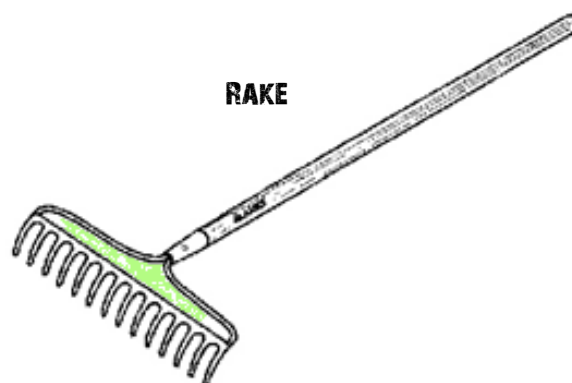
DUTCH HOE



DRAW HOE



SHEARS



RAKE