

Building a New Garden

Building a new garden is an exciting challenge. A totally neglected piece of land is sad to see, but imagining the new garden that might be there can be wonderful! However, for success there are three factors which must be remembered: the basic character of the soil, the sun exposure, and the people who will eventually use the garden. The soil is perhaps the most obvious concern. Soil that is hopelessly bad can kill almost any plant. Therefore, it is necessary to test the soil and then improve it as much as possible. Sun exposure is another factor that can strongly influence success or failure. Sometimes we can remove nearby trees in order to increase the amount of sunlight that reaches the garden. Other than that, there is nothing we can do to make the sun shine more! As a result, we need to consider how much sunlight different plants need. That way, we can avoid choosing plants that require too much sun exposure. Finally, we must predict who will use the garden. In fact, some experienced gardeners say the users are the most important factor. We need to calculate how old they will be, what they will want to do in the garden, and how much maintenance they will be willing to provide. With those three factors in mind, we can plan a garden that will bring joy for many years.

Parallel Writing

Read the passage, noting that it divides the task of building a new garden into three main elements; what are they?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

Using the passage as a model, write your own passage – with the same structure, and even the same series of sentences. Begin your passage with, ***Choosing a profession...***