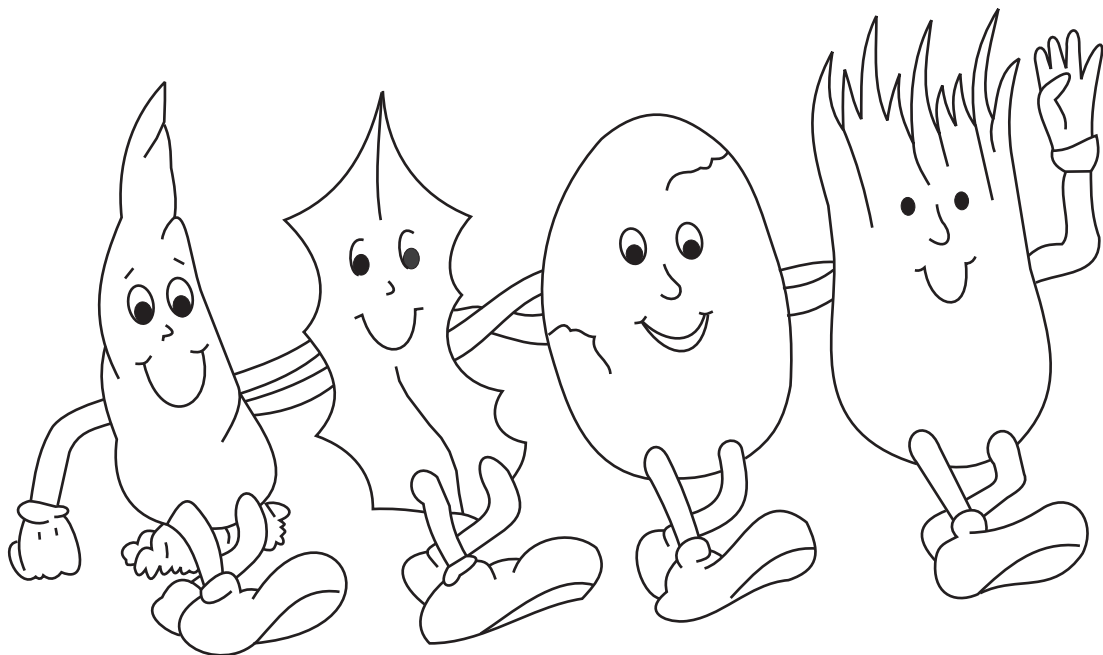




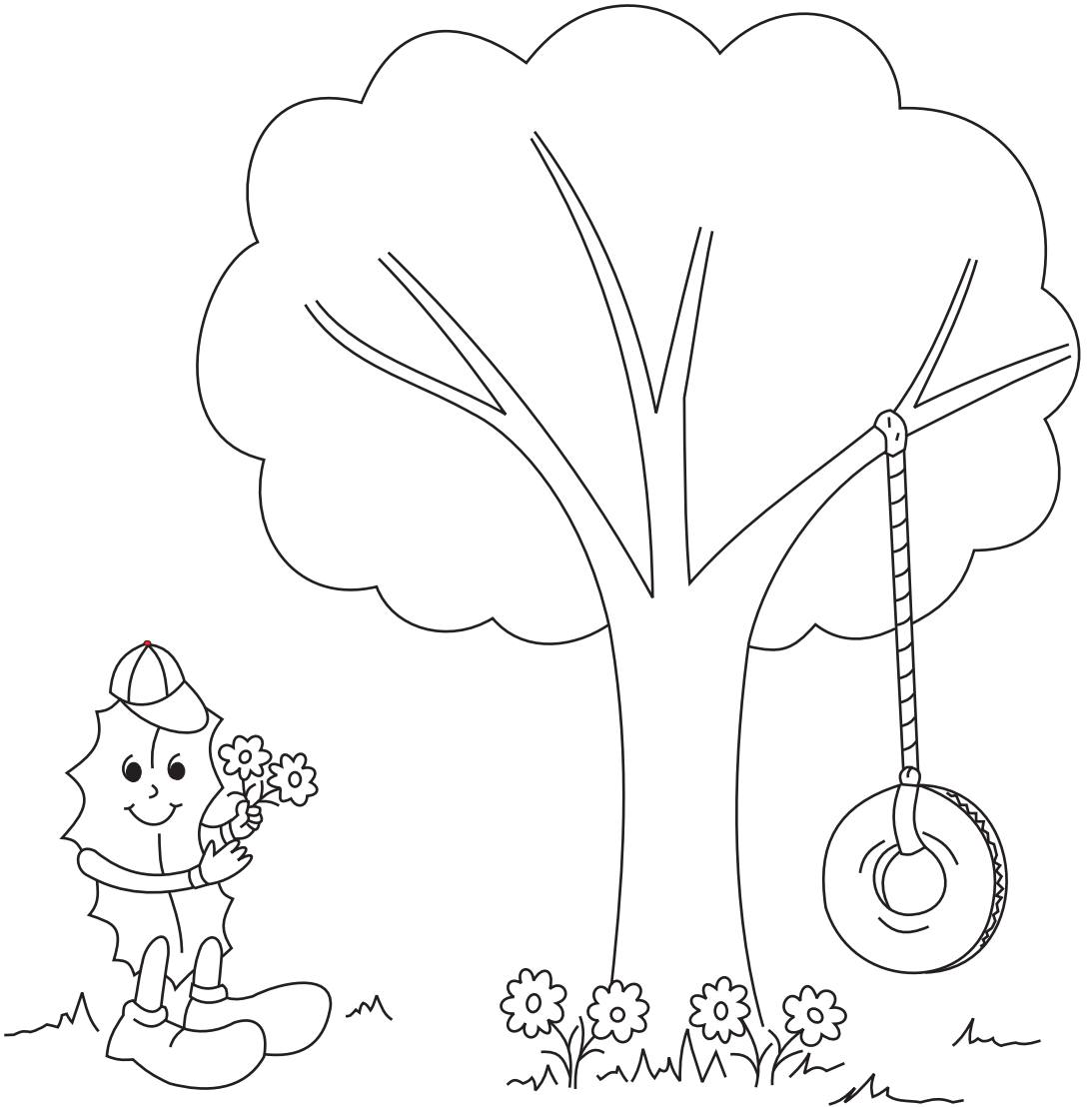
# All about composting

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Composting is nature's way  
of recycling

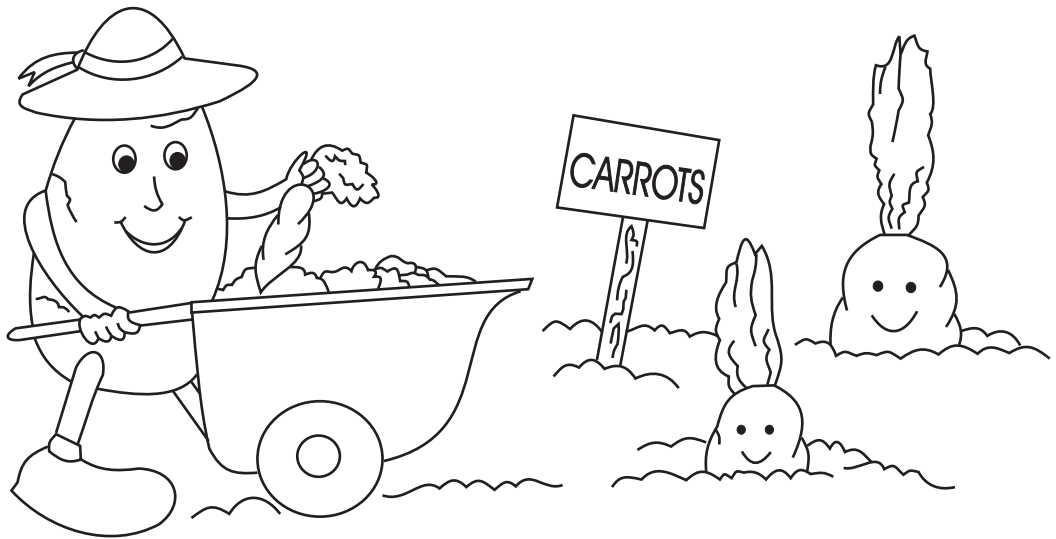


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Leaves, grass clippings, and vegetable trimmings are materials used in composting





Composting saves natural resources and reduces the amount of trash we throw out.



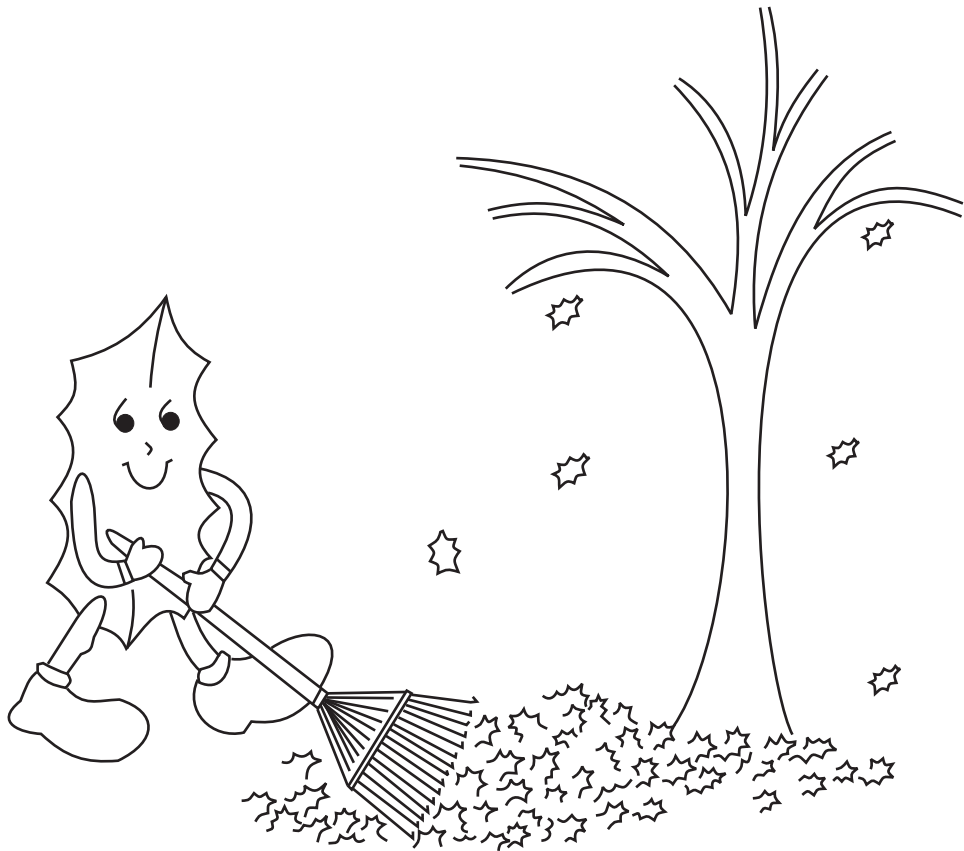


Compost is good for gardens,  
flower beds and lawns



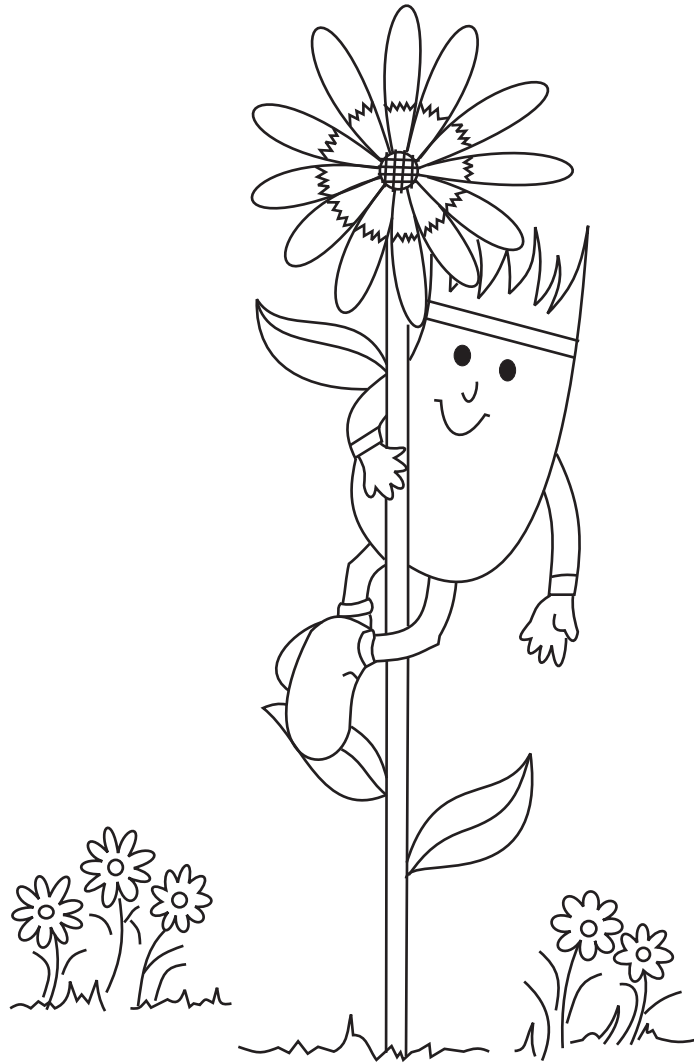


Composting leaves and other food scraps at home is very easy and useful



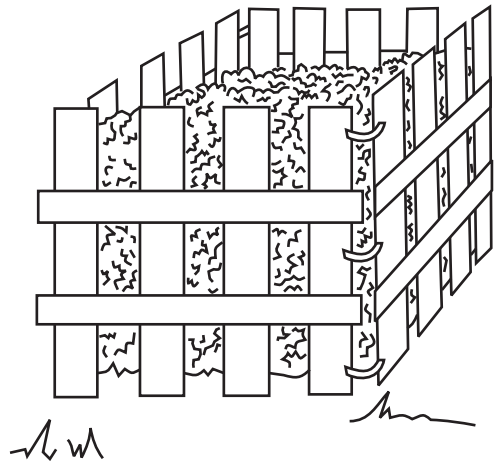
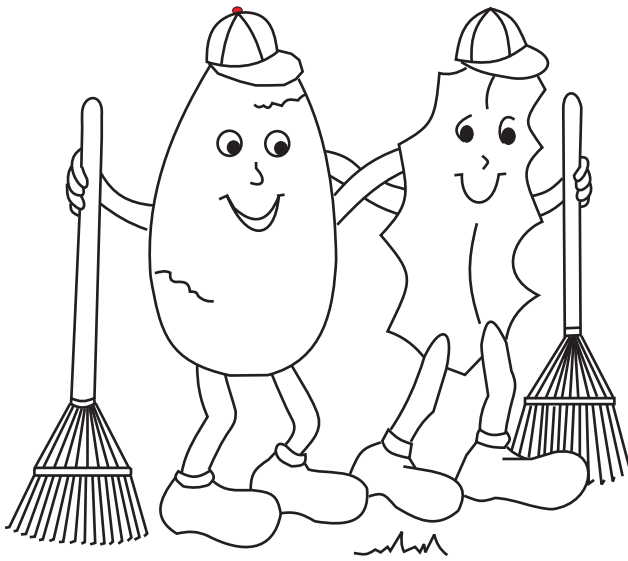


Using compost makes sturdy,  
faster growing plants





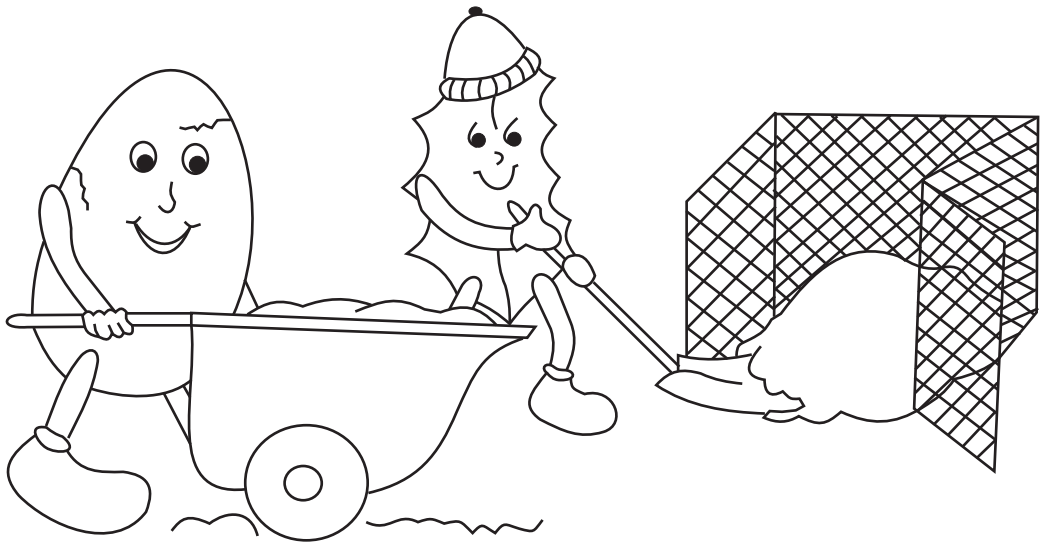
You can use a compost bin  
or make an open pile







All bins should open easily for turning and removing compost





## **Good composting ingredients:**

apples and peels

cabbage

carrots

celery

coffee grounds

egg shells

grapefruit

lettuce

onion peels

pears

pineapple

potatoes

pumpkin shells

squash

tea leaves

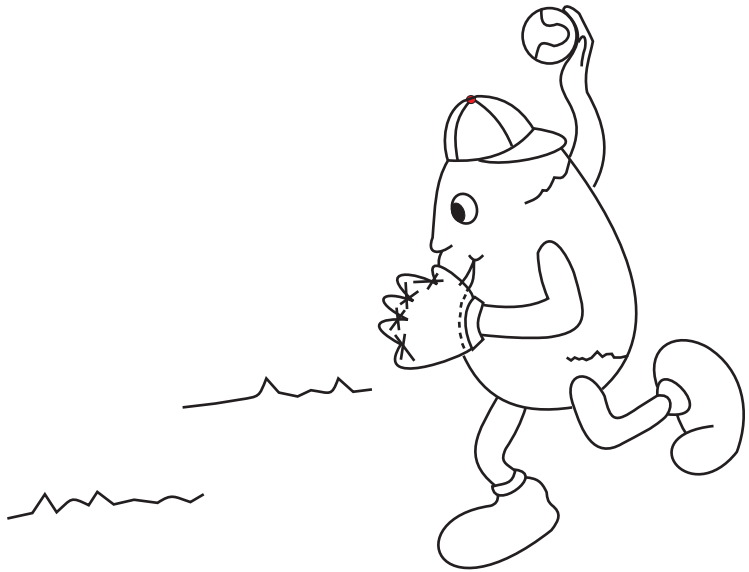
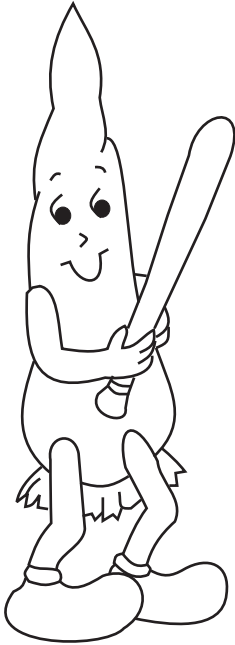
tomatoes

turnip leaves



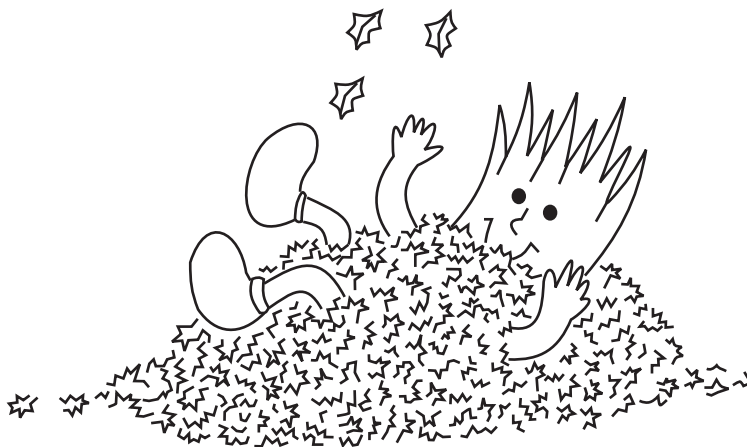
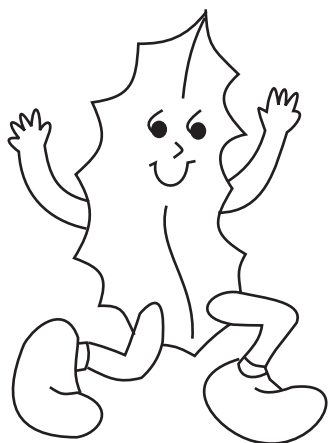


By shredding the materials  
and turning daily, compost can  
be made in two to three weeks  
during the summer



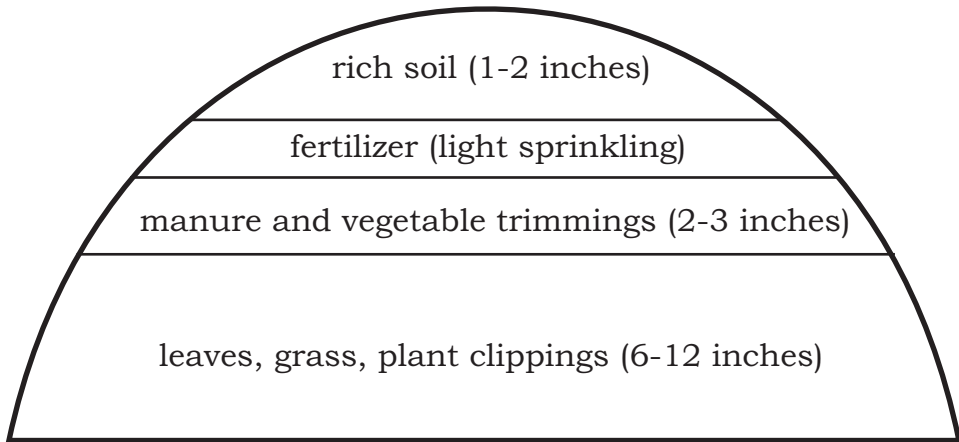


Compost made in the fall is usually not ready for use until the following summer





# A compost pile





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