

# A Job Well Done



Harriet crouched near the dirt while Uncle Rick scooped away the last shovel of earth. Today they were planting trees at Uncle Rick's store. Three new trees would soon line his small parking lot.

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Now that she and Uncle Rick had three wide holes, they pulled three saplings from the back of Uncle Rick's truck. Each sapling had a root ball wrapped in burlap.

"Now what do we do?" Harriet asked.

"First we'll pull off this burlap," he said. "Then we need to fluff out the roots so they're ready to take hold of the soil and grow."

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Harriet nodded. She followed his lead gently pulling away the rough, scratchy burlap. Once that was done, they used light fingers to separate the roots from each other.

Next, Harriet helped hold each tree steady as Uncle Rick covered the root balls with fresh, fertile soil. Soon they had long lines of three-year-old trees.

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Harriet helped clean up their mess, and then she and Uncle Ric sat in the rockers outside his small shop. They drank fresh lemonade.

"Thanks for your help today," Uncle Rick said. "The trees look great."

"You're welcome," Harriet said. She smiled. It was a job well done.

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- 1) What were Harriet and Uncle Rick doing in the story?
  - a) Planting flowers in the garden
  - b) Planting trees at Uncle Rick's store
  - c) Cleaning up the yard
  - d) Making lemonade

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- 3)
- d) To make the trees look more attractive
- 4) What did Harriet and Uncle Rick do after removing the burlap from the root balls?
  - a) Separated the roots from each other
  - b) Watered the trees
  - c) Added mulch to the trees
  - d) Planted more trees

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- 5) What did Harriet and Uncle Rick do after finishing planting the trees?
- a) Planted flowers in the garden
  - b) Went to buy more saplings
  - c) Took a break and drank lemonade
  - d) Cleaned up the yard

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Covering the fresh soil with mulch

This helps establish tree root systems and ensures sufficient hydration.