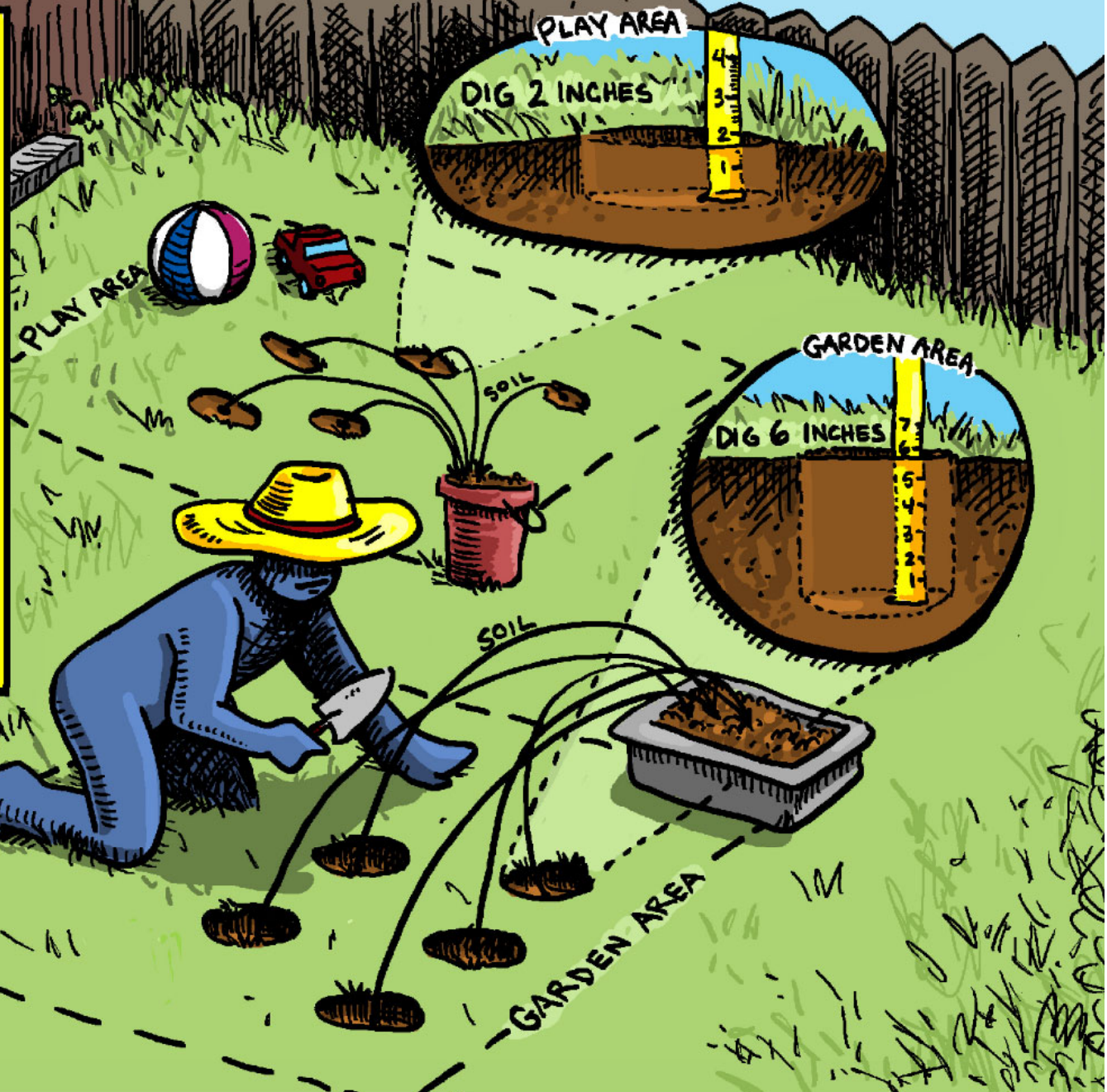


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**MIX WELL**

STIR MIXTURE AND DRY IN SUN

NO ROCKS OR TWIGS

**LABEL SAMPLE BAG**

1 QUART FREEZER BAG

LOCATION OF SAMPLE =

# OF SOIL SPOTS =

1/2 FULL

MUST HAVE AT LEAST 2 CUPS



**Collecting a Single Soil Sample:**

**Step 1:** Identify an area of interest for your soil sample.

**Step 2:** Collect Soil - For a large area, collect soil from 5-10 random spots in that area, and combine in a clean container. For a small area, collect soil from 3 random spots and combine in a clean container. **(See table below for sampling depth per spot.)**

**Step 3:** Mix soil well in clean container.

**Step 4:** Remove pebbles, rocks, and roots, and air dry. Do not use a flame, oven or hairdryer to dry the soil!

**Step 5:** Transfer 1 - 2 cups of the mixed soil into a clean one-quart Ziplock bag.

**Note:**

**For more than one sample, repeat steps 1-5. Rinse your container between samples.**

Limit of 2 sample bags/person.

Area of Interest	Sampling Depth for Each Random Spot (inches)
Garden Area	Collect all soil from the surface down to 6-8 inches deep
Play Area / non-garden area	Collect all soil from the surface down to 1-2 inches deep