

Stage 5 Agricultural Technology: Plant nursery production

Softwood cuttings or Semi ripe cuttings

Materials:

Suitable plant material
 Secateurs
 Hormone powder or gel
 Pots
 Plant propagation mix

Method:

1. Cut the plant material into sections about 10 cm long.
2. Remove the leaves on the lower half of the cutting.
3. If the plant has large leaves, remove half of each leaf. If the plant has lots of leaves, then remove half of the leaves. See figure 1.



Figure 1

4. Dip the end of the cutting in hormone powder or gel.
5. Place the cutting in a prepared hole in the propagation mix, then firm the mix around the cutting.
6. Cover the pot with a plastic bag, or place it in a suitable propagation area.

This skill has been completed _____ (Teacher's initials)