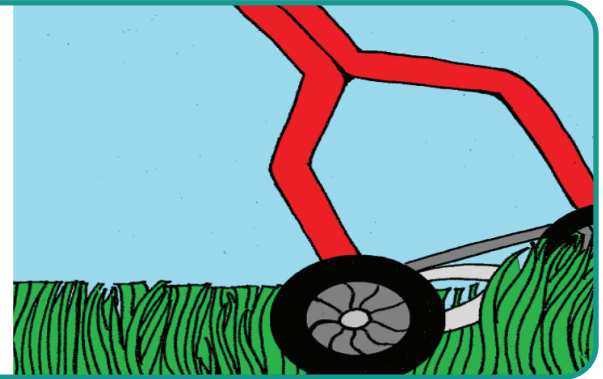


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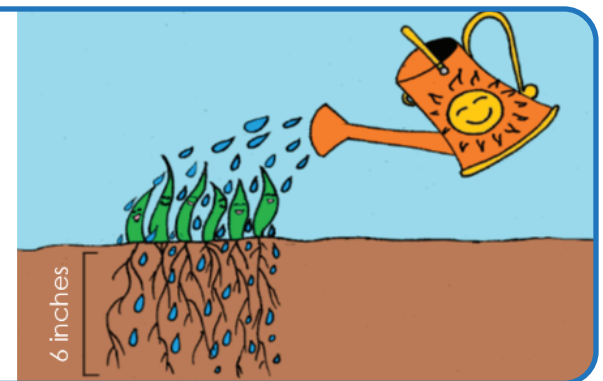
MOW

- Mow weedy lawns frequently to prevent seed dispersal
- Remove no more than 1/3 of the grass height
- Keep blades sharp and mow when grass is dry



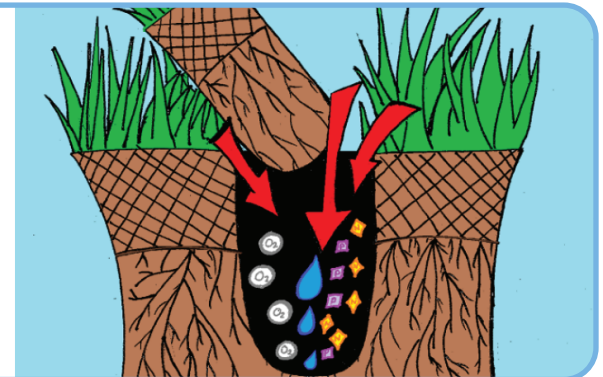
IRRIGATE

- Irrigate long enough for water to seep 6 inches deep
- Encourage strong roots with deep, infrequent irrigation
- Allow top 1-2 inches to dry before watering again



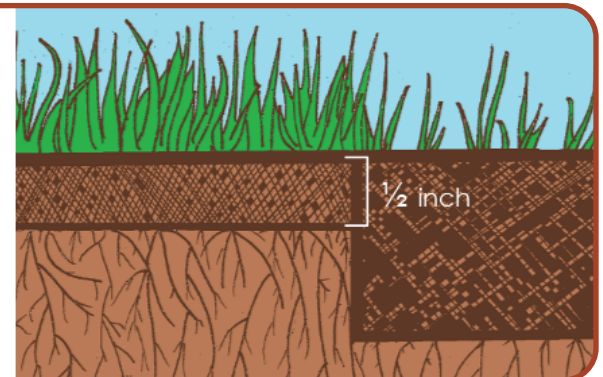
AERATE & FERTILIZE

- Aerate turf at least once a year
- Repeat aeration on heavily trafficked turf periodically
- Test soil to evaluate nutrient levels before fertilizing



DETHATCH

- Dethatch when layer is more than 1/2 inch thick
- Increase oxygen, water, and nutrient flow by dethatching
- Restore nutrients after dethatching by fertilizing appropriately



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