

## **A Job With Pro Landscaping (Part 2)**

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When the weekend came, Matt met the other men on the team, Phil, Max, and Pete, who were all men, not teens. They divided up into two groups. One of the trucks was packed with equipment and mulch and the other was packed with plants.

Matt sat in the back of the second truck. He could see that they were bringing roses, hibiscus, and lilacs (along with other shrubs he did not know the names of) to the job site.

The first half of the day was brutal. The job was to update the landscaping of a big house, including the beds in front of the house and along the driveway. Even though Pro Landscaping had five men on the job, Matt felt amazed that they were planning to do so much in one day, let alone half a day.

Matt unloaded the big bags of mulch and dragged them to the beds. Then Phil called him over to the spot near the driveway. He explained that they needed three deep, wide holes for the lilacs. He used a spade to outline how wide each hole should be, and then gave Matt a shovel.

Every so often, Matt took a quick sip from his canteen and stopped for ten seconds of rest. When Matt had dug the first hole, Phil demonstrated how to plant the shrub in the right mix of soil and compost.