

Chapter Five  
Soil Characteristics  
Questions

1. What are the four components of soil?

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2. True or False. Soils that have the most organic matter are usually those that have been cultivated over long periods.

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3. Which is NOT a physical property of soil? Color, Texture, Particle size, Structure, Drainage, Depth, and organic matter.

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4. Of the three soil types, sand, silt and clay, which is the smallest and which is the largest?

Smallest \_\_\_\_\_ Largest \_\_\_\_\_

5. What is the effect of organic matter on clayey soil?

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6. What is the effect of an extremely high pH on the availability of micronutrients to a plant.

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