

PRUNING (NOVEMBER)

APPLE TREE



1 The apple tree is dormant; the leaves are being shed.



2 Pruning an apple tree encourages more fruit.



3 The crown must allow as much light as possible to reach the branches.



4 Therefore seek out the branches that are growing vertically.



5 The branches which grow at an angle to the trunk are pruned.



6 The branches which remain will therefore receive more light.



7 This encourages growth and flowering.



8 Ultimately the branches will bend further under the weight of fruit.