

## **Role Play - Neighbors**

*(two neighbors in the backyard)*

**A:** I've got to admit you have a beautiful backyard. How do you do it?

**B:** Well, it *does* take time and patience. But I've also got a few secrets...

**A:** OK, OK, what do I have to do to get you to reveal your secrets? You know if I had the money, I'd just hire a gardener.

**B:** No, no you don't have to do that. I'd never hire a gardener. Working in the yard is the greatest form of relaxation that I know of!

**A:** You're kidding, right?! I would never have planted so many trees if I had known how much work they'd require.

**B:** You see, that's your problem right there. Your attitude is all wrong.

**A:** Excuse me. My attitude is wrong? What does attitude have to do with gardening?

**B:** You've got to love working in the backyard - that's my secret!

**A:** I can't believe what you're saying. Let me see if I understand this: ...

**B:** It's very simple ...

**A:** If I had a better feeling about my work in the garden, everything would be wonderful. I'd have a beautiful lawn like you, I'd have healthy plants like you.

**B:** ... yes, yes that's it. You've got it!

**A:** On second thought, I think I'll just pay a gardener.

**B:** Ha ha, that won't work.

**A:** Why not?

**B:** Because he has to enjoy his gardening...

**A:** Please! Thanks for your advice, but I think I'll do it my way.