

## **2009 National Floriculture Career Development Event**

### **Problem One**

Assume your company has been hired to decorate for a local Garden Club Luncheon that is to be held during the month of May. This will be an outdoor event taking place on the covered patio of the Country Club. The manager of the Country Club is willing to help with the expense for the table centerpieces if the arrangements will, with proper care, last for a couple of weeks for the country club members to enjoy. The Garden Club will provide the containers for the arrangements. Each container will hold three, 4" pots. The tables are 60" in diameter and will seat six persons. You are provided a list and description of plant material available from your wholesaler.

Which plants would you use in the centerpieces?

- A. Persian Violet, Pothos Ivy, Wandering Jew**
- B. Asparagus Fern, Persian Violet, Pothos Ivy, Swedish Ivy
- C. Begonia, Persian Violet, Snake Plant, Wandering Jew
- D. Croton, Peace Lily, Shell Ginger, Swedish Ivy

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Common/Botanical	Description	Plant Habit	Light Exposure	Foliage Texture	Flower Color	Bloom Period	Container Size
Asparagus Fern <i>Asparagus densiflorus</i>	Needle-like leaves on a thin stem with tiny thorns; bright green, delicate, feathery appearance	Cascading	Medium	Fine	White	Summer	4" pot
Begonia <i>Begonia</i>	Succulent leaves and stems with upright growth. Clusters of flowers on small stems	Upright	Medium	Medium	Pink	Summer	4" pot
Croton <i>Codiaeum variegatum</i>	Shrub with highly-colored shiny leaves.	Upright	High	Coarse	N/A	N/A	1 gallon
Persian Violet <i>Exacum affine</i>	Multiple stems: oval leaves, light green and waxy; attractive terminal flowers	Rounded	Medium	Medium	Purple	Spring Summer	4" pot
Kalanchoe <i>Kalanchoe blossfeldiana</i>	Succulent plant grown for attractive flowers carried in clusters above the foliage; foliage is broad and shiny green with dentate margins	Rounded	Medium	Medium	Red	Winter	4" pot
Peace Lily <i>Spathiphyllum</i>	Dark green, elongated, oval foliage with white spathe and spadix flowers above the foliage	Curved	Medium	medium	White	Spring Summer	1 gallon
Pothos Ivy <i>Epipremnum aureum</i>	White variegation in heart-shaped leaves	Cascading	Low	Medium	N/A	N/A	4" pot
Rubber Plant <i>Ficus elastica</i>	Large tropical tree; broad, leathery leaves	Arboreal	Low	Coarse	N/A	N/A	1 gallon
Snake Plant <i>Sanservieria trifasciata</i>	Rosette of linear leaves, leathery and stiff stands erect. Leaves have a gold band on the edges	Upright	low	Medium	N/A	N/A	1 gallon
Shell Ginger <i>Alpinia speciosa</i>	Lanceolate leaves on long canes; terminal flowers on stiff stalks	Upright	medium	Coarse	Red	Summer	1 gallon
Swedish Ivy <i>Plectranthus australis</i>	Stems are square and fleshy; leaves round with scalloped edges; spikes of flowers	Cascading	Medium	Medium	White	Summer Fall	4" pot
Wandering Jew <i>Zebrina pendula</i>	Oval leaves with green, purple and silver variegations; long, fleshy stems	Cascading	Medium	Medium	N/A	N/A	4' pot