2nd Year revision Notes



Conversion



Seasoning



Kiln Seasoning



- Kiln is a large oven
- Timber is stacked on a trolley and wheeled in
- Steam is pumped in to heat the wood and maintain moisture levels
- Fans keep the air circulating
- Hot air is allowed to escape through the vents

Natural Seasoning

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<u>Advantages</u>

- Cheap process
- No electricity required
- No skilled labour required
- **Disadvantages**
 - Takes a long time
 - Prone to insect & fungal Attack
 - Can only achieve a moisture content of 18-30%

Kiln Seasoning

Advantages

- Fast process
- Moisture content of 14 -18% achieved
- Exact moisture content achievable
- **Disadvantages**
 - Expensive process
 - Requires energy
 - Skilled labour and machinery required



Stickers are used between planks to allow air to circulate

Blocks keep the stack off the ground to prevent moisture rising into the stack



Manufactured Boards





- Environmentally friendly as they use waste wood/ save on use of hardwood
- 2. Relatively cheap to buy
- Come in large sheets & large range of thicknesses
- 4. Large range of surface finishes
- 5. Strong & staple boards



Plywood manufacture



- Rotary method
- Veneers at 90° to each other
- Odd number of layers

WBP—Water boil proof Marine Plywood—exterior use

Deforestation

How to prevent deforestation/save the rainforest

- 1. Choose manufactured boards instead of hardwood
- Choose softwood instead of hardwood.
 Paint or use preservative where necessary
- 3. Use wood from a managed forest only

Why should we conserve our rainforests

- 1. The rainforest is a thing of natural beauty
- 2. To protect the habitats of main animals
- 3. It contain many rare trees and plants
- 4. The rainforest is the 'lungs of the earth'
- 5. To protect native tribes who live in the for-

How does the use of manufactured boards help reduce deforestation?

- 1. Provides an alternative to solid wood
- 2. Uses waste wood
- 3. Mainly made from softwood
- 4. Makes more with less

| HARDWOOD | SOFTWOOD |
|----------------|---------------|
| Ash | Scots Pine |
| Beech | Norway Spruce |
| Sycamore | Sitka Spruce |
| Oak | Douglas Fir |
| Horse Chestnut | Pine |
| Elm | |

Sharpening

- 1. Grinding (25°)
- 2. Sharpening/Honing (30°)
- 3. Removing the Burr





Joints





Dovetail halving

Halving Joints

Finger Joint





