

1. Choose a site/location for earthworm extraction
2. Determine type of study
 - Document an Occurrence
 - Single Plot
 - Multiple Plots
3. Determine sampling method
 - Flip and Strip
 - Hand Sampling
 - Midden Counts
 - Liquid Mustard Extraction
4. Gather survey supplies
 - Earthworm Sampling Supplies
 - *Ground Mustard Powder (non-organic)*
 - Preservation Supplies
 - *Vials*
 - *Isopropyl Alcohol*
 - *Formalin*
 - Field Supplies
 - *Forceps*
 - *Trays*
 - *Gallon Jugs*
 - *Sample Frames*
 - Don't Forgets!
 - *Data Sheets*
 - *Clipboard, Pencils, Ziplock bags, Permanent markers.*
5. Determine sample plot/plots location
6. Generating location data of sample site
 - Using a GPS Unit
 - Using iTouchMap
7. Collected earthworms and label vials (Site name, Plot, Date)
 - e.g. Backyard-plot2-7/12/2011
8. Fill out datasheets
 - Make sure datasheets correspond to vial labels
 - GPS location coordinates match sample plot and vials
9. Preserve earthworms
10. Send your findings to the Great Lakes Worm Watch

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