



Diagram 17-4. Chip budding. A. The prepared bud stick ready for chip budding, showing (a) removal of the immature tip. B. Front and side views of the prepared scion (bud) chip. C. Front and side views of the prepared rootstock. D. Good matching-up of the scion (bud) chip and rootstock. Note (a) the ring of exposed rootstock tissue around the perimeter of the bud chip. E. Examples of correct and incorrect matching-up for scion of a different size around the perimeter of the cut only if the scion is smaller in width than the cut. (ii) Incorrect matching-up of a scion smaller in width than the cut. (iii) The scion was cut too long so that it extends above the apex of the cut on the rootstock. F. Examples of tying-in. (i) Small and hard buds are covered when tying-in with polyethylene tape. (ii) Soft and prominent buds are left exposed when tying-in with polyethylene tape.

*Use polyethylene budding tape (not ground)*