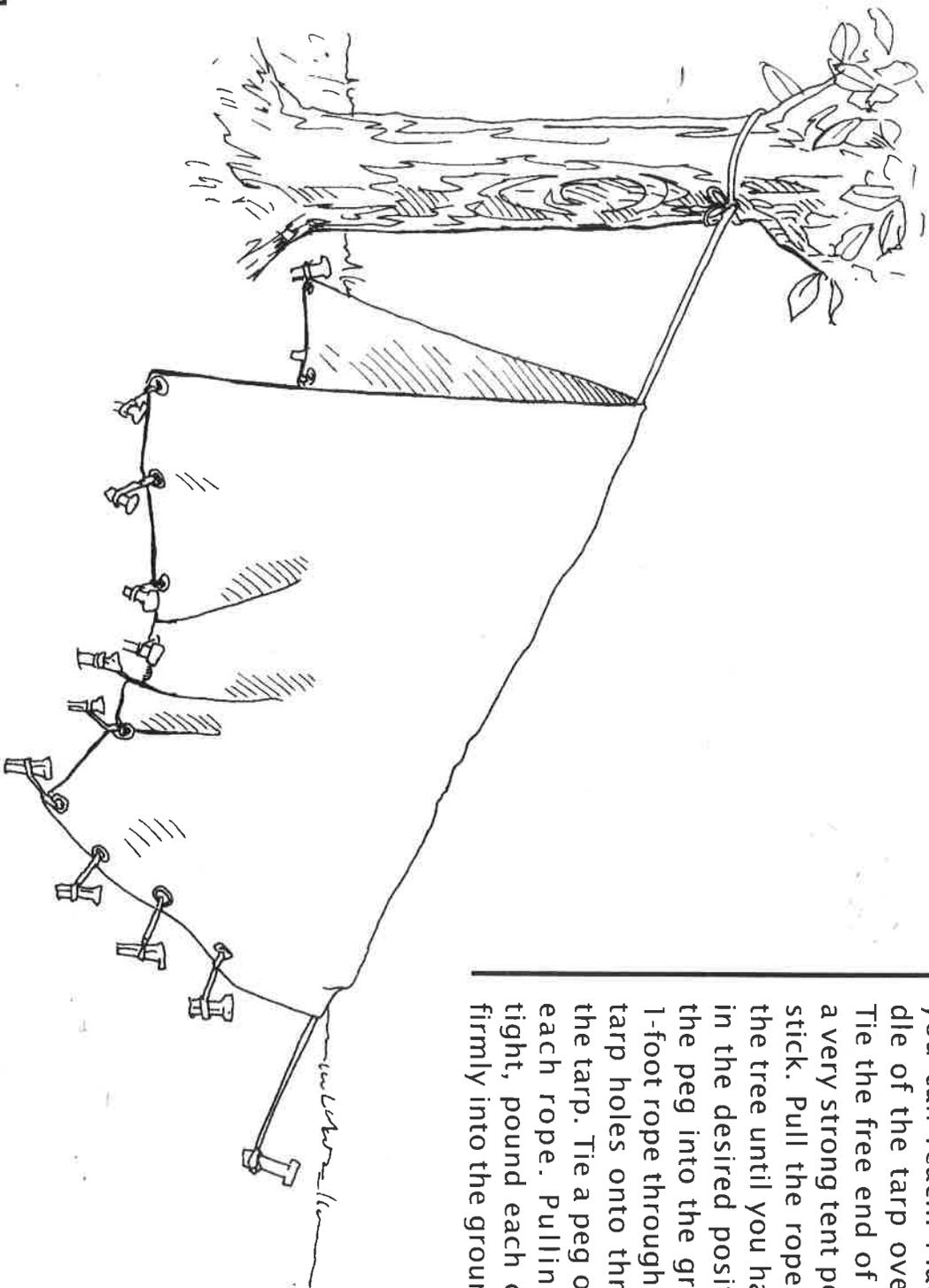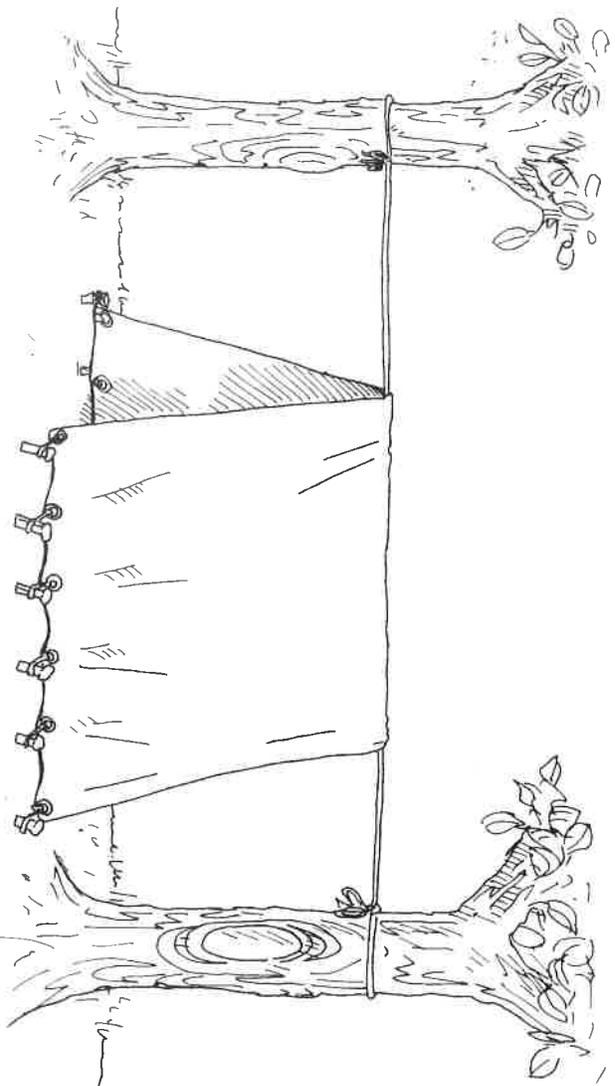# One-Tree Tent

Tie one end of a long rope high on a tree as far up as you can reach. Place the middle of the tarp over the rope. Tie the free end of the rope to a very strong tent peg or sturdy stick. Pull the rope away from the tree until you have the tarp in the desired position. Pound the peg into the ground. Tie a 1-foot rope through each of the tarp holes onto three sides of the tarp. Tie a peg or stick onto each rope. Pulling the tarp tight, pound each of the pegs firmly into the ground.

Tents from a Tarp

Two-Tree Tent

H ere are three ways to make a tent from a tarp. The first uses two trees spaced far enough apart to set up a tent, the second uses one tree, and the third needs a log or boulder.

The tent that uses the log or boulder is very low to the ground and should be used only when there are no standing trees that you can tie your tarp to. Tarp-tents aren't as waterproof as regular tents but will work very well in most weather. Be sure your tarp is waterproof, and that it's not set up on low-lying ground that might become wet in a storm. If you have an extra tarp, use it as a floor in your tarp-tent. Lay the tarp on the ground and place sleeping bags on top of the tarp to keep your sleeping bag dry.

MATERIALS

Tarp
Rope
Tent pegs or sturdy sticks
Hammer or heavy rock

Tie a rope to two trees. Place the middle of the tarp over the rope so that both sides hang down evenly. Tie several short pieces of rope to the holes along the edge of the tarp. Tie short pieces of rope to the holes along the edge of the hanging sides of the tarp. Tie each rope onto a tent peg or a sturdy short stick. Pull the tarp tight and pound the pegs firmly into the ground.