



# Good Time to Seed Lawns

very fast. Under optimum conditions the germination time for cool season grasses is generally listed as 15 to 21 days for Kentucky bluegrass, 7-10 days for tall fescue, and 5-7 days for perennial ryegrass. However this time can be greatly extended when surface soil moisture is very lacking, when there are periods of wet/dry conditions, when the surface soil temperature remains cold, or when old seed or poor quality seed is used.

Turf-type tall fescue is recommended for most KY lawns and the top varieties include Regenerate, Grade 3, Hemi, Bizem, Festnova, Catalyst, Bullseye, Falcon IV, Falcon V, Terrano, and Firebird 2. Some

still use KY31 tall fescue seed since their lawn was seeded with it originally. The newer turf-types are usually darker green. Select the best variety and purchase certified seed when possible. Such seed is generally pure and true to type for the characteristics developed by the plant breeder. Certified seed will contain fewer weed and other crop seed contaminants and will be free of inert filler. If you are unable to buy certified seed, it is still very important to buy seed by variety name. Seeding rate for turf-type tall fescue is 5-6 pounds per 1,000 square feet. Make sure you get the seed in contact with the soil for success. Grass seeded on top of the ground (even on a snow)

usually fails. Mow as frequently as needed to keep the old grass or weeds from shading the new seedlings. As the new seedlings develop, continue mowing at the height intended for the entire turf area. Do not let the seedlings grow tall before mowing. Weed control efforts can usually begin, if needed, after the new seedlings have grown enough to have been mowed one or two times. For more information on lawn care, contact the Estill County Extension Office at 723-4557. You can also visit the UK Turfgrass website at <http://www.uky.edu/Ag/ukturf/> for publications and videos on selected turf management topics.

## Fireblight management in the orchard - planning disease control

It is time to be planning the disease control program for the home orchard, especially fire blight. Fire blight, a bacterium, is a disease that affects fruit and ornamental plants. It over winters in cankers formed during the previous years' infections and as "resident" bacteria on plant surfaces. When conditions are favorable, the disease attacks and causes the black "fired" appearance to the damaged tissues. In order to control fire blight, there are several points to consider. Take extra care during the

dormant season to prune trees according to sound horticultural principles. Trees properly thinned and shaped are generally less susceptible to fire blight. In addition, while trees are dormant, blighted twigs should be pruned just below the infected areas and destroyed. This practice, which should be done every year, eliminates an important potential source of inoculum for subsequent epidemics. The pruning must be done carefully, so that all infected branches are removed. This care is especially important in

young plantings where unchecked canker development could easily kill the tree. It is not necessary to sterilize pruning tools for dormant pruning. Remove badly infected trees and old, neglected pear trees that could be sources of inoculum. While trees are breaking dormancy, just at first green tip, apply fixed copper spray to the twigs and branches to help reduce overwintering bacterial inoculum. Avoid spraying copper after 1/2-inch green tip so that fruits do not become russeted. Thor-

oughly wash the spray tank following use, since the chemical can be corrosive. This spray also will reduce the overwintering populations of the fungi that cause black rot, blotch, and other canker diseases. Contact the Estill County Extension office at 76 Golden Court in Irvine for fruit tree spray schedule or call 723-4557. Educational programs of the Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expressions, pregnancy, marital status, genetic information, age, veteran status, or physical or mental disability.



### Planting roses

In choosing a site to plant a rose bush, pick an area that receives six or more hours of direct sunlight. Some roses will grow in partial shade, but most roses bloom best in full sun. Roses are also heavy feeders and need rich soil to grow well, so work organic matter into the soil before planting. Avoid planting roses under trees, as falling branches will damage them, and avoid any areas that see high winds regularly. - Brenda Weaver

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**Don't Feed the Dogs**  
Sharon from New Whiteland, Ind., likes to feed extras to the birds like bread and popcorn. To prevent her beagles from eating these items, she throws the extra snacks on her garage roof. "The birds enjoy this and the dogs can't get to it. Problem solved!" Thanks for sharing, Sharon!

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## Farmers should document ice storm damage

After three winter storms with significant icing, many farms have experienced fence damage due to downed trees and limbs. After discussing this situation with USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA), it is suggested that farmers document damage with pictures, labor and repair receipts, third-party witness statement, and other records that can help prove the loss. If any assistance program is made available in the future, proper documentation will be necessary.

To report damage or livestock loss, farmers can contact the Madison County FSA office at 859-624-1980. If you have damage, we urge you to please be careful and safe dealing with repairs and debris cleanup.

### Berry Plants, and More

The Estill County Extension Service will once again take orders for strawberry, blackberry, blueberry, raspberry, asparagus, and Candy onion plants. We order with a large group of counties so the plant cost is lower than individuals ordering on their own. Orders will arrive in early April. If you are interested or have questions, contact our office at 723-4557. Orders must be made and prepaid by March 19th.

## Stickeler's Answer

# Stickelers Answer

## Five years.

### Stickeler's Puzzle on Page 7

## Puzzle Answers

#### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Answers  
D T C E V I L A S E  
E P T B O D Y D F C  
A B S I M P O E O N  
T R D U R G V I R O  
H I O O F I L T N B  
S N O Y L F P L H G  
I G G M A D E S I E  
N R E T T E B R N W  
S S U O E T H G I R  
Z T S I R H C T U P

answer  
Cryptoquip  
I believe if someone should get in trouble for eavesdropping.

answer  
CryptoQuote  
Solitude either develops the mental power or renders men dull and vicious. - Victor Hugo

### Bible Word Search on Page 7

## Wishing Well®

4	2	8	7	6	8	6	4	8	6	5	2	3
G	A	S	B	A	E	L	O	R	O	A	C	N
2	3	7	5	4	3	4	8	6	5	7	4	6
T	E	E	C	O	W	D	V	V	T	O	T	E
5	3	7	4	2	3	2	5	4	7	6	5	4
I	F	P	I	B	O	O	O	M	E	T	N	E
5	7	8	7	6	7	2	7	5	7	6	8	2
S	N	E	T	O	O	L	C	J	H	R	O	D
8	4	5	4	3	8	4	8	5	4	2	6	3
T	S	U	A	U	H	H	E	S	E	L	E	N
5	4	3	7	5	4	7	6	5	6	8	3	8
T	A	D	A	I	D	N	M	F	E	R	F	S
6	3	7	3	5	2	5	6	5	7	6	3	6
M	A	G	M	I	Y	E	B	D	E	E	E	R

HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: J equals R

P XNHPNON PV QLYNLTN  
ANYLHPQENQ S JLLV, EN  
QELFHA BNC PT CJLFXHN  
VLJ NSONQAJLRRPTB.

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## CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

LNUVJBAY YVJQYE AYWYUNGL  
JQY TYFJZU GNMYE NE  
EYFAYEL TYF ABUU ZFA  
WVRVNBL. - WVRJNE QBON

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# Puzzle Answers

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### Puzzles4Kids Answer

BUFFALO UTICAR  
L O J R R  
X A D FARGO I Y D M  
I T H A C A S A R  
U D F O R T L E E  
M E S A E M B  
A C O N E L K C I T Y  
O N N A  
NEWPORT LYNN

### FEAR KNIGHT answer

L  
L I M B O  
P E A N U T E  
R G S  
O B E A S T  
G L U M B A R  
U T

### Even Exchange answers

- Trail, Train
- Wander, Wonder
- Gross, Grass
- Cornet, Corset
- Saber, Sober
- Jerry, Terry
- Entire, Entice
- Ample, Apple
- Linger, Longer
- Handy, Hardy

### King Crossword Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

DAD AVER SALT  
AGO VISA OVERT  
LOU ANCHORAGE  
EGRET SIR  
LAMA LENTO  
SUFFRAGE LOAN  
CCI SCALDRNG  
ALBS STEERAGE  
TASTY EVAN  
ROB RANCH  
ENCOURAGE OOO  
GEEK JINNS OWL  
GALE TOUT KLM

### DRINKING ESTABLISHMENTS

UN ROADHOUSE  
B LOUNGE L S R  
A CO T L UN R  
R I H A K T H E  
O T G S Y R V  
O N T K E A  
MOORPAT UN DT  
R COGINMILL  
L LAHREEBUC

### Letter Box Solution

R S A E T G D U H  
G E T H D U R S A  
H U D S R A T G E  
U T G D S H A E R  
S D R A U E G H T  
A H E T G R S D U  
E R S U A D H T G  
T G H R E S U A D  
D A U G H T E R S

### Weekly SUDOKU Answer

1	5	4	2	6	8	9	3	7
6	3	2	7	1	9	8	5	4
8	7	9	4	3	5	1	6	2
5	2	6	8	9	1	4	7	3
3	9	1	5	4	7	2	8	6
7	4	8	3	2	6	5	1	9
2	1	5	9	7	3	6	4	8
4	6	3	1	8	2	7	9	5
9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

### Bible Trivia Answers

\*Test Your Bible Knowledge\* with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in bookstores and online.

ANSWERS (1) Neither; (2) Pray; (3) Stephen; (4) 4 months; (5) Onesimus; (6) Wind