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White Oak Initiative Moving Forward

in maintaining high-quality white oak regeneration. Without coordinated and sustained action, these forests will continue to shrink and we will be faced with meaningful reductions in white oak forests and timber supplies.

The White Oak Initiative is made up of conservation organizations, white oak dependent or interested industries, trade associations, state and federal agencies, universities (including University of Kentucky's forestry department), and non-profits working to ensure the long-term sustainability of America's white oak and contributing to the conservation of white oak and white oak dominated forests. The group recognizes that this is a challenge requiring all of our groups to work together in order to make a meaningful difference in the woods across the eastern and central United States.

Since the steering committee formed in late 2017, the Initiative has recruited more partners, laid out a roadmap to create a white oak conservation plan, and applied for two Landscape Scale Restoration grants from the United States Forest Service (USFS) plus recruited 17 state forestry



agencies to collaborate on this project, drafted basic communication materials including a website, and hired a director and project coordinators.

Since receiving the two USFS landscape scale restoration (LSR) grants, the Initiative has been able to work with partners to get private sector commitments of more than \$400,000 to help provide the needed matching funds for the federal and state LSR project.

The Initiative's next steps include: 1) preparing a range wide white and upland oak conservation assessment and plan; 2) learn more about what others are doing to support our white oak forests and help to support those efforts. 3) seek input from partners and stakeholders and recruit supporters; 4) support research on oak health, population, age, genetic diversity and economic and jobs impact; 5) technical assistance for both

private and public land owners to encourage white oak; 6) prepare on the ground implementation strategies to engage family forest owners and public land foresters; 7) develop a communication strategy to educate landowners, the public and others about the issues and opportunities; and 8) identify policy solutions to support state and federal programs supporting white oak sustainability.

If you are interested in learning more about the White Oak Initiative, go to www.whiteoakinitiative.org or email Jordy Jordahl at jjordahl@forestfoundation.org. For general forestry information, contact the Estill County Extension office at 723-4557.

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

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: K equals O

IY N QKKJBC SFB DNQB CNYF,
NS YSOQJ DBITTX YSOGGKDPTX
SK SFB EIP, YK N FIC SK EBBT
KRR ENTIR.

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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.

YS JABHSX, CNZS NE QC
ENASHSA, JN CSSU NJGSA
WXBDSC, NJGSA XKHSC,
NJGSA CNQXC.
— BVBKC VKV

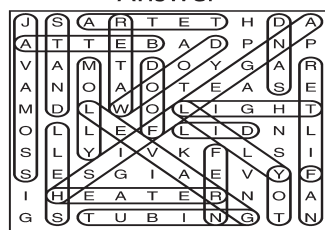
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Puzzle Answers

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Puzzles4Kids

Answer



Riddle Answer:

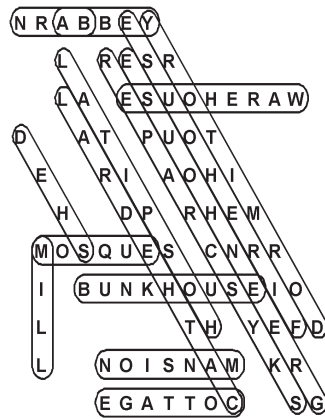
Happy Tanks Giving.

Letter Box

Solution

O	D	H	T	F	E	G	R	A
A	T	G	O	R	H	F	D	E
F	R	E	A	D	G	T	O	H
T	A	O	R	E	F	D	H	G
H	E	F	D	G	A	R	T	O
D	G	R	H	T	O	E	A	F
E	H	T	G	O	R	A	F	D
G	O	D	F	A	T	H	E	R
R	F	A	E	H	D	O	G	T

BUILDINGS



CryptoQuip

answer

As I cooked the rice dish, it stuck really stubbornly to the pan, so I had to peel off pilaf.

CryptoQuote

answer

We travel, some of us forever, to seek other places, other lives, other souls.
— Anais Nin

FEAR KNOT

answer



Even Exchange

answers

1. Outfit, Outwit
2. Draft, Drift
3. Menial, Mental
4. Liner, Linen
5. Topic, Tonic
6. Gomez, Gomer
7. Search, Starch
8. Flame, Flake
9. Lotion, Potion
10. Grand, Gland

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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

Bible Trivia Answers

Now available by Wilson Casey! 2017 Bible Trivia box calendar loaded with daily teasers.

ANSWERS 1) Old; 2) 1; 3) Jacob; 4) Job; 5) Sheep; 6) Anas



Agrimony is also called *sticklewort* or *church steeple*. It traditionally holds the meaning of "thankfulness" or "gratitude." Its yellow flowers are fragrant and bloom throughout the summer months. It can grow as high as 40" tall, in such areas as meadows, forest edges, pastures, and river banks. It is used in folk medicine to treat inflammation and other diseases. Parts of the plant are used to make teas, infusions, bath soaks, mouthwash and topical preparations. Its seeds can be dried and ground into a meal.

Source: wikipedia, www.ediblewildfood.com

— B. Weaver

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Bear Alert

A young black bear was eating from my safflower feeder the other day. Sure they are cute, but it's really not fair. Developers are destroying their habitat and the bears have no place to go. If you have bears at your feeders, don't encourage them. Be careful.

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Direct
REROD

Devise
VINTEN

Power
GREENY

Whole
RETINE

TODAY'S WORD



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"I'll be home a little late tonight, dear — the boss wants me to take _____"

Stickeler's Puzzle

STICKELERS [sic]
by Terry Stickels

The Ardmore High School basketball team plays four 12-minute quarters. The head coach has three forwards on the team with equal ability. He wants all three forwards to rotate so that they play the same number of minutes each game.

How many minutes of playing time should each of the three forwards receive? Two of the forwards are always on the court at the same time.

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