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# Farm & Home Chainsaw Safety

erly working.

Be sure to mix fuel in a can, not in the saw's tank and keep the gasoline can at least 10 feet away from where you're going to start the chainsaw.

Always start a chainsaw with the saw on the ground with one of your toes in the handle and one hand on the handle. Never hold the chainsaw in the air with one hand while pulling on the starting rope with the other.

Keep both hands on the chainsaw when cutting; always operate the saw below shoulder height; only operate a chainsaw up in a tree when you've received special training to do so, and engage the chain brake when starting and walking with the saw.

Many chainsaw injuries take place when the moving chain comes into contact with the operator, with kickback being the most common cause. Kickback takes place when the upper tip of the guide bar touches an object, or the chain gets pinched. This rapidly and uncontrollably throws the saw up and back towards the operator. Kickback can cause severe lacerations to the upper body, neck or face, and even death. Hand and arm injuries comprise 41 percent of total chainsaw injuries; legs, 39 percent; head and face injuries, 11

percent; feet, 6 percent and upper body, 3 percent. Remember to maintain a stiff left elbow to lessen the chance of the saw striking you in a kickback. When cutting logs from a tree, be sure to stand to the left side of the chain so any kickback will go over your shoulder. You can significantly reduce chainsaw injuries or fatalities by wearing personal protective equipment. Wear cut-retardant chaps and cut-resistant boots to protect thighs, shins and feet; goggles not sunglasses to protect eyes; ear plugs to protect hearing; non-slip gloves to protect hands; and a hard hat and face screen to protect your head and face. One convenient way to protect your head, face and ears is to use a helmet system that combines hardhat, face screen and hearing protection. Also,



wear sturdy, snug fitting clothing that gives you complete freedom of movement. Avoid loose things that might catch in the moving chain including sleeve and pants cuffs, unfastened long hair or jewelry.

Never go out alone to operate a chainsaw. Another person can share the cutting tasks to prevent fatigue, a major cause of injuries in the woods, or go for help should an accident occur. Always take a first aid kit and keep it handy.

Remember, these safety features won't replace proper training, safe operating practices and common sense, but they will reduce your risk of an injury.

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4	2	7	5	6	2	7	2	8	4	7	3	7
E	A	D	S	R	M	E	E	A	X	V	N	O
6	2	7	4	7	4	3	4	5	4	7	6	2
E	S	T	P	I	E	E	C	P	T	O	T	S
7	5	3	2	5	2	5	4	7	3	6	3	7
N	L	W	C	E	L	N	C	T	K	U	N	O
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T	E	R	U	E	R	T	S	A	E	R	T	

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: D equals Q

F YVRFVTV S DGFALH ZASFZ ZUSZ'W  
GQFDGV ZX S OSIOXAMVA PFVRMVA  
WUXGRM YVOXIV LQXPQ SW S

"TFMVXWHQOASWH."

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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.

LSPMPN LYZ FRLZX QCP GO  
ACZI GYR PLR POCZHX CF  
IMEEMQYHR CF FBOPIMPN LYZ  
HMWOF ZYPPMPN EZLD MR.

— GZOPO GZLSP

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# Puzzle Answers

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## Puzzles4Kids

Answer

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

## FEAR KN&T

answer

K	A	F	T	A	N
N	L	X			
I	A	O			
F	I	X	N	O	D
E	E	A	I		
O	N	E	F	O	L
I					
N	E	X	U	S	
K					
H					

## Letter Box

Solution

O	N	W	E	B	L	A	K	T
B	L	E	A	K	T	O	W	N
T	K	A	W	O	N	L	E	B
K	E	B	N	T	A	W	L	O
L	T	O	K	W	B	N	A	E
A	W	N	O	L	E	B	T	K
E	A	L	B	N	K	T	O	W
N	O	T	L	E	W	K	B	A
W	B	K	T	A	O	E	N	L

## Even Exchange

- answers
- Stack, Shack
  - Wander, Wonder
  - Otter, Utter
  - Plank, Plant
  - Stream, Streak
  - Poster, Potter
  - Scout, Shout
  - Realty, Really
  - Right, Tight
  - Touch, Tough

## Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

## King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

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

## CryptoQuip

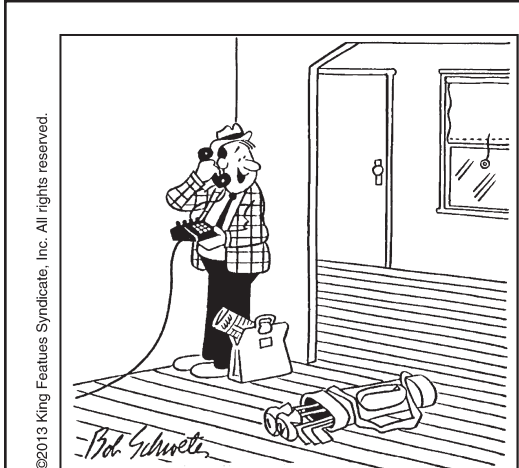
I believe a quirky trait that's unique to a camcorder welder should become known as a "videosyncrasy."

## CryptoQuote

Owning our story can be hard but not nearly as difficult as spending our lives running from it. — Brene Brown

## Bible Trivia Answers

ANSWERS 1) Old; 2) John; 3) Mercy seat; 4) Sisters; 5) Ezekiel; 6) The Fall



"My wife walked out and took just about everything I had — but believe me, Al, it could be ...!"

## 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!

Rough  
ESCORA

Give  
WETSOB

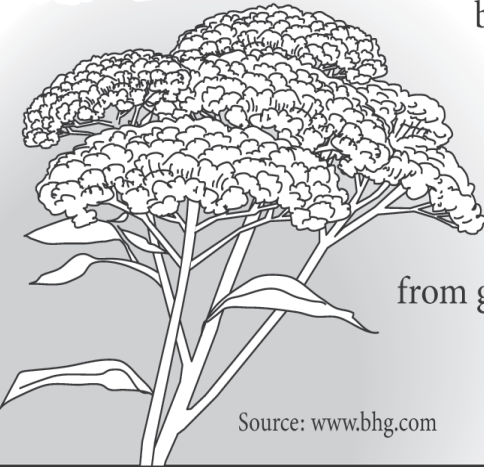
Level  
BLASTE

Hearty  
TURBOS

TODAY'S WORD

## The Garden Bug

## Sedums



Sedums are a perennial, and bloom from spring to fall each year. They are drought-tolerant and don't need much care. Bees and butterflies love feeding from them. When their foliage dies in winter, it can be cut and used in dried floral arrangements. There are many types of sedum, from ground-cover types to those growing up to 2 feet tall.

— B. Weaver

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## Birding BITS

BY Cindy Brook

Get Ready for Winter  
Are you ready for winter? Some high-fat foods to have on hand are:

- Peanuts, peanuts, peanuts. Unsalted, in or out of the shell.
- Suet cakes or nuggets (any flavor), seed blocks.
- Black oil sunflower seed, sunflower heart chips, safflower seed.

Don't forget roosting boxes and heated birdbaths too.

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## Stickeler's Puzzle

STICKELERS  
by Terry Stickels

We often see Latin phrases used in literature, newspapers, magazines and advertising. Phrases such as "carpe diem" (seize the day) are used all the time. On the left are some Latin phrases that still are seen today. Match them to their meanings in the right-hand column.

1) ipso facto	a) I think, therefore I am
2) anguis in herba	b) I shall find a way or make one
3) alea iacta est	c) the die has been cast
4) cogito ergo sum	d) by the fact itself
5) ex nihilo nihil fit	e) nothing comes from nothing
6) aut viam inveniam aut faciam	f) snake in the grass

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