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Bug Proof Your House This Fall

even help you conserve energy and increase the comfort level this fall and winter.

Install door sweeps or thresholds at the base of all exterior entry doors, paying particular attention to the bottom corners that are a common entry location. Insects and spiders can enter through a gap of one-sixteenth of an inch or less. Get down on the floor and check for light entering under doors; this indicates possible pest entry ways.

To close other potential pest entries, apply caulk on the bottom outside edges and sides of door thresholds; fit garage doors with a rubber bottom seal because vinyl doesn't seal well in the winter; and line the bottom track of sliding glass doors with foam weather stripping 1/2 to 3/4 inch wide to seal any gaps.

Utility openings where pipes and wires enter the foundation and siding are common entry points for spiders, ants, yellow jackets and rodents. You can use caulk, cement, urethane expandable foam, steel wool and copper mesh to plug openings around outdoor faucets, receptacles, gas meters,

clothes dryer vents and telephone or cable television wires.

Apply a good-quality silicone or acrylic latex caulk to cracks around windows, doors, fascia boards and other openings. Before you apply the caulk, clean existing caulk, and remove any that's peeling to aid adhesion. Be sure to use a good caulking gun. Desirable features are a back-off trigger to stop caulk when desired, a built-in "slicer" to remove the tip from new caulking tubes, and a nail to puncture the seal within. These guns are available for less than \$10.

To reduce the entry of lady beetles, cluster flies and other overwintering pests, repair gaps and tears in window and door screens. Keep windows closed when adults are emerging to prevent entry. Repairing screens also will keep out flies, gnats, mosquitoes and midges next summer.

Another way to prevent pest entry is to apply an exterior barrier treatment with insecticides. To gain the most from this effort, apply long-lasting liquid formulations that contain synthetic pyrethroids (e.g. Spectracide Triazicide, Ortho Home

Defense, and Bayer Advanced Multi-Insect Killer). These products are available at most hardware and lawn/garden shops.

If you apply the barrier treatment, use a compressed air or hose-end sprayer to treat the base of all exterior doors, garage, crawl space entrances, foundation vents, utility openings, and beneath siding. It's also useful to treat the outside perimeter of the foundation with a two-to six-foot wide band along the ground and two to three feet up the foundation wall. You may have to apply more than one treatment to be successful but always follow the product label.

If you prefer not to tackle these pest-proofing activities, contact a professional pest control firm. Many firms are beginning to offer pest-proofing services.

For more information, contact the Estill County Cooperative Extension Service at 723-4557.

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5	7	6	5	4	2	7	8	7	5	4	3	8
C	T	E	O	B	Y	I	C	M	N	E	A	L
6	2	7	8	5	3	6	7	3	2	5	4	5
A	O	E	E	Q	C	S	T	T	U	U	R	E
2	4	7	8	6	8	3	2	3	7	2	4	3
S	E	O	A	E	R	U	P	P	C	A	A	O
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R	B	R	I	U	N	I	S	M	I	E	L	I
3	8	3	4	8	5	8	2	6	8	2	5	6
O	K	N	E	I	D	N	R	N	G	S	E	D

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: F equals V

YCXMBGMA QXO JMVHAK XEXR

CV XfvGB CKJ LHAGIGYC'Y

LHMNKJY, G'FJ LIXNJB WRYJIQ

VHC VQ XOW'Y EXR.

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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.

J TZWM VTQV VTN

OQUNDVTNCNC QUN YI EQU

VTN PZCV JPOZUVQDV OQUVC

ZE Q DZD-YLCJDNCC WNVVNU.

— M.T. WQGUNDHN

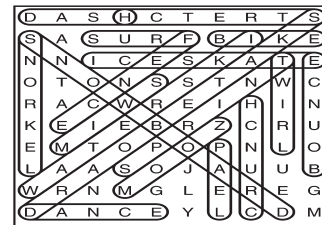
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Puzzle Answers

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Puzzles4Kids

Answer



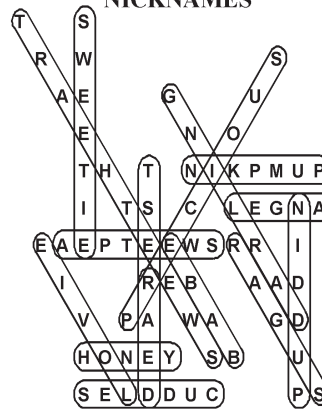
Riddle Answer:
At a jungle gym.

Letter Box

Solution

O	U	T	D	C	K	S	F	N	
F	C	D	N	S	U	T	O	K	
K	S	N	O	F	T	D	U	C	
N	O	S	K	T	C	F	D	U	
T	D	C	F	U	O	N	K	S	
U	K	F	S	D	N	C	T	O	
C	F	K	U	N	D	O	S	T	
S	T	O	C	K	F	U	N	D	
D	N	U	T	O	S	K	C	F	

AFFECTIONATE NICKNAMES



CryptoQuip

answer
Standing far enough away to avoid the pugilist's punches, I've placed myself out of arm's way.

CryptoQuote

answer
I hold that the parentheses are by far the most important parts of a non-business letter.
— D.H. Lawrence

FEAR & KNIGHT

answer



Even Exchange

answers

- Letter, Litter
- Cloak, Clock
- Honey, Money
- Deluge, Delude
- Robin, Rosin
- Herman, German
- Flirt, Flint
- Appear, Appeal
- Marry, Merry
- Guise, Guide

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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

Farming News

Rinse & Return Program is Sept. 30th

The Rinse and Return Plastic Pesticide Container Recycling Program will be offered once again in Estill County this fall. This Kentucky Department of Agriculture program collects triple-rinsed, plastic pesticide containers for recycling. All farmers are encouraged to participate. Please remember, pesticide containers must be triple-rinsed, label packets removed, and no lids should be present. All containers received will be inspected.

The 2019 Rinse and Return collection date is Monday, September 30th, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Estill County Extension Office, 76 Golden Court (off Stacy Lane) in Irvine. For more information, call 723-4557.

Attention Cattle Producers: Beef Bash is Sept. 26th

Beef Bash 2019, a unique field day for Kentucky beef cattle producers, will take place September 26 at the University of Kentucky's C. Oran Little Research Farm in Versailles. UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, the Kentucky Beef Integrated Resource Management Program, and the Kentucky Cattlemen's Association will host the event. Since 2008, the bash has been at the UK Research and Education Center in Princeton, but organizers wanted to reach more producers. Going forward, Beef Bash will annually rotate between the Western and Central Kentucky locations.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. EDT, and programs and tours start at 9 a.m. No preregistration is required, and lunch will be available for purchase. The bash concludes at 3 p.m.



Ailanthus altissima, known as Chinese sumac or tree-of-heaven, is native to China. In the late 1700s, it was brought to the U.S. as an attractive, fast-growing ornamental tree. Since then it has spread throughout much of North America. Dense thickets of it entrench fields and forests, displace native species, destroy habitats and crowd agricultural fields and roadsides. Complete eradication is extremely difficult, as it regrows vigorously even when most of the plant is thought to be removed, and it is tolerant of poor soil and drought.

— B. Weaver

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Easy Feeding

Birdseed blocks are a nice alternative to loose seed since there are no feeders to clean. Look for them at stores that sell birdseed. I love to use one that is comprised of all nuts. Just about every bird loves a nut!

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Stickeler's Puzzle



Who is the tallest?

Jag is taller than Jam, who is shorter than Jal, who is shorter than Jag, who is shorter than Jax.

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Stickeler's Answer on Page 11

Sammy's Furniture

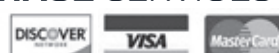
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Bible Trivia Answers

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ANSWER (1) Neither; (2) Child; (3) Joshua; (4) 63; (5) Manah; (6) Solomon