



The SESK Party Game

STUFF EVERY WOODWORKER SHOULD KNOW

How to play (30 seconds)

1. The reader reads a card and its three answers out loud.
2. Everyone says "One, two, three, Goldilocks!" and holds up 1, 2, or 3 fingers.
3. The reader flips the card and reads the answer and the Why.
4. Everyone who was right takes a point.
5. The reader reads the joke with a straight face. Anyone laughs or groans? The reader takes a point. Nobody got it right? The reader takes a point.
6. Pass the deck left. Most points when the points run out wins.

What you need

These cards and the point tokens on the last two pages. No tokens? Use coins, buttons, pebbles, or marshmallows. 3 to 10 players, ages 8 and up.

Expert rule: Bet It

Before the reader flips the card, you may put one of your points on your answer. Right: take your normal point plus one extra. Wrong: your bet goes back to the pile. That's it.

Printing

Print single-sided, on cardstock if you have it. Cut on the dashed lines. Each card is a 3.5 x 5 inch index card. The answer half is upside down on purpose, so the table can't peek. Cards 1 to 50 of 101. More cards and the free daily online game at sesk.info. Built 2026-10-12.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA says a hand-fed circular rip saw must be guarded by what?

- A** A hood over the blade above the table
- B** A rubber mat under the saw
- C** A light curtain around the shop

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6201

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What do loggers eat in the forest? Mac and trees.

A **WHY** A hood over the blade above the table
OSHA's woodworking machinery rule (29 CFR 1910.213) requires a hood on hand-fed circular ripsaws. It covers the blade above the table so hands cannot touch it. Home saws call it the blade guard.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA requires hand-fed circular ripsaws to have which part to help stop wood being thrown back?

- A** A tilting arbor
- B** A spreader
- C** A dust port

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6202

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How do you properly identify a dogwood tree? By its bark.

B **WHY** A spreader sits behind the blade inside the cut and keeps the wood from closing on the blade. Pinched wood is a main cause of kickback. Modern saws use a riving knife for the same job.

TRADES & SHOP



What do OSHA rules call the toothed pawls on a ripsaw that oppose kickback?

- A** Chip breakers
- B** Splitter spurs
- C** Nonkickback fingers

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6203

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How do you describe a tree who steals things? Shady.

C **WHY** Nonkickback fingers
OSHA requires hand-fed circular ripsaws to have nonkickback fingers or dogs. They are set to oppose the saw's tendency to throw material back at the operator.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA says a hand-fed jointer with a horizontal cutting head must have what on its working side?

- A** An automatic guard
- B** A foot brake
- C** A magnetic stop

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6204

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What has no fingers, but many rings? A tree.

A **WHY** An automatic guard
Under 29 CFR 1910.213(j), a hand-fed jointer needs an automatic guard over the working side of the cutting head. A second guard covers the head behind the fence.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA says push sticks or push blocks must be provided at the workplace for which task?

- A** Staining finished boards
- B** Sharpening chisels by hand
- C** Feeding stock past a jointer or saw

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6205

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How do two rival forests get along? They sign a peace treaty.

C **Feeding stock past a jointer or saw**
WHY OSHA's rule says push sticks or blocks must be at the work place in several sizes and types, and repeats this in its jointer paragraph. They keep hands away from the cutterhead or blade.

TRADES & SHOP



NIOSH says noise averaging what level over an eight-hour day is hazardous to hearing?

- A** 65 dBA
- B** 75 dBA
- C** 85 dBA

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6206

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Where does a tree store their stuff? In their trunk.

C **85 dBA**
WHY NIOSH sets its recommended exposure limit at 85 dBA averaged over eight hours. A day around loud shop machines can pass that, so hearing protection matters. Noise damage to hearing is permanent.

TRADES & SHOP



Hearing loss caused by loud work noise is described by NIOSH as what?

- A** Temporary and always reversible
- B** Permanent but preventable
- C** Only a problem after age 65

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6207

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
I used to play piano by ear, but now I use my hands.

B **Permanent but preventable**
WHY NIOSH says occupational hearing loss is permanent but preventable. Damage cannot be healed once it happens, so earmuffs or plugs should go on before the saw starts.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA says breathing airborne wood dust from sanding and cutting may cause allergic breathing problems and what else?

- A** Cancer
- B** Loss of color vision
- C** Brittle bones

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6208

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How do trees access the internet? They log on.

A **Cancer**
WHY OSHA lists allergic respiratory symptoms, non-allergic respiratory symptoms and cancer as possible effects of airborne wood particles. That is why dust collection and a good mask matter, not just a broom.

TRADES & SHOP



What is kickback on a table saw?

- A** The blade jumps out of the table slot
- B** The motor suddenly reverses direction
- C** The wood is thrown back at the operator

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6209

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How did the apple tree get the job? It had the right qua-leaf-tations.

C **WHY** The wood is thrown back at the operator
Kickback is an instant, violent reaction when the wood binds against the back of the blade. The spinning teeth grab it and fling it toward you, far faster than you can react.

TRADES & SHOP



In a CPSC survey of table saw injuries, the stock kicked back or jumped in about what share of cases?

- A** About 40 percent
- B** About 4 percent
- C** About 90 percent

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6210

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What happens when a tree falls into mud? It leaves an impression.

A **WHY** About 40 percent
CPSC staff studied emergency room visits for table and bench saw injuries from 2007 to 2008. In 40.5 percent of cases the stock kicked back or jumped. Kickback is a big, common risk.

TRADES & SHOP



Which body part did CPSC find most often injured among table and bench saw operators?

- A** Eyes
- B** Fingers
- C** Feet

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6211

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What is a pine tree's favorite radio station? Anything that plays the poplar hits.

B **WHY** Fingers
CPSC found fingers were the body part most often involved, with hands next. Lacerations were the most common injury type. That is why guards, push sticks and blade brakes focus on keeping hands clear.

TRADES & SHOP



What does a riving knife on a table saw do?

- A** It collects sawdust from the blade
- B** It measures the blade angle
- C** It keeps the cut from pinching the blade

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6212

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why can't Christmas trees sew? They always drop their needles.

C **WHY** It keeps the cut from pinching the blade
A riving knife is a curved steel plate right behind the blade. It stays inside the cut so the two halves of the board cannot squeeze the blade. Pinching is a leading cause of kickback.

TRADES & SHOP



How does a riving knife differ from a fixed splitter?

- A** It moves up, down and tilts with the blade
- B** It spins at the same speed as the blade
- C** It only works on crosscuts

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6213

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the teaching tree do when it went overseas? It took a leaf of absence.

A It moves up, down and tilts with the blade
WHY A splitter stays at a fixed distance behind the blade and does not rise and fall with it. A riving knife follows the blade through height and angle changes. That keeps it close to the blade for every cut depth.

TRADES & SHOP



Where should a featherboard be placed on a table saw?

- A** Behind the blade
- B** In front of the blade
- C** Directly over the blade

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6214

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the tree do when the bark closed? It started its own branch.

B In front of the blade
WHY A featherboard presses the wood against the fence. Woodcraft says it must be set up in front of the blade, not behind it, so it does not pinch the wood against the back of the blade.

TRADES & SHOP



Which side of the blade should you push stock on, according to Woodcraft?

- A** The side away from the fence
- B** Either side
- C** The side the fence is on

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6215

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why was the tree arrested? For shoplifting.

C The side the fence is on
WHY Woodcraft says pushing on the outboard side, away from the fence, makes the piece bind and can cause kickback. Keep your push between the blade and the fence.

TRADES & SHOP



SawStop's manual says not to perform any table saw operation how?

- A** Freehand
- B** With the guard on
- C** With a push stick

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6216

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What do you get when you cross a tree with an artificial waterway? A root canal.

A Freehand
WHY Without a fence or miter gauge, the wood can twist and bind on the blade. Use the fence for rip cuts and the miter gauge for crosscuts. Woodcraft agrees: never make free-hand cuts.

TRADES & SHOP



For through cuts, the top of the blade should be no more than how far above the workpiece?

- A** About 1 inch
- B** About 2 inches
- C** About 1/8 to 1/4 inch

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6217

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How do you cut a wave in half? Use a sea saw.

C About 1/8 to 1/4 inch
WHY SawStop's manual says the top of the blade should stand no more than 1/8 to 1/4 inch above the workpiece for through cuts. Less blade sticking up means less exposed steel near your hands.

TRADES & SHOP



SawStop says its brake stops the blade in less than how long?

- A** 5 seconds
- B** 5 milliseconds
- C** 5 minutes

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6218

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why do Platanus occidentalis have to see the doctor more than any other trees? Because they are sycamore.

B 5 milliseconds
WHY When skin touches the blade, an aluminum brake springs into the blade's path. SawStop says all of this happens in less than 5 milliseconds. That is far faster than a blink.

TRADES & SHOP



How does SawStop detect that skin has touched the blade?

- A** A camera sees a hand
- B** The blade's electrical signal changes
- C** A heat sensor feels warmth

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6219

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How do you know when a tree doesn't know the answer to something? It shrubs.

B The blade's electrical signal changes
WHY The blade carries a small electrical signal. Human skin conducts, so touching the blade changes that signal and triggers the brake.

TRADES & SHOP



SawStop's manual says to use a blade guard and spreader on which operations?

- A** Every cut where it fits, including through cuts
- B** Only cuts in softwood
- C** Only dado cuts

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6220

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Where do birch trees keep their valuables? In a river bank.

A Every cut where it fits, including through cuts
WHY SawStop says to use a blade guard and spreader for every operation they can be used for, including through sawing. The guard is a hood over the blade, the same idea OSHA requires on workplace saws.

TRADES & SHOP



When routing an outside edge by hand, which way do you move the router around the work?

- A** Clockwise
- B** Whichever feels easier
- C** Counterclockwise

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6221

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What's big, grey and falls from trees in Autumn?
Elephant

C Counterclockwise
WHY The bit spins clockwise when viewed from above, so you feed against that spin. For an outside edge, that means moving counterclockwise around the workpiece, which keeps the bit biting into the wood and gives control.

TRADES & SHOP



When routing an inside cut such as a cutout, which way do you move a handheld router?

- A** Counterclockwise
- B** Clockwise
- C** Straight in one line

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6222

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What tree produces fruit that tastes like chicken?
Poultree.

B Clockwise
WHY On an inside cut the geometry is reversed. Moving clockwise still feeds the router against the bit's rotation. Feeding the wrong way (a climb cut) can grab and pull the router out of control.

TRADES & SHOP



What is the danger of climb cutting with a router?

- A** The bit will turn blue
- B** The cord will rewind
- C** The router can climb out of the cut

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6223

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why are leaves always involved in risky business?
Because they constantly have to go out on a limb.

C The router can climb out of the cut
WHY When you feed with the bit's rotation instead of against it, the bit can grab and pull the router forward. Woodcraft says climb cutting should be used sparingly, with the work clamped and very light passes.

TRADES & SHOP



On a router table, which way should the workpiece be fed relative to the bit's rotation?

- A** Opposite the bit rotation
- B** With the bit rotation
- C** It does not matter

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6224

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What's the same size and shape as a giant sequoia tree, yet weighs nothing? A giant sequoia tree's shadow.

A Opposite the bit rotation
WHY Woodcraft's router-table article says to always feed the workpiece in a direction opposite the bit rotation. Feeding with the rotation, a climb cut, is harder to control. Use a fence or pivot pin for support.

TRADES & SHOP



Before installing or removing a router bit, what must you do first?

- A** Switch off and disconnect from power
- B** Wait for the bit to cool and leave it plugged in
- C** Hold the trigger while twisting

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6225

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why do trees hate tests? Because they get stumped by the questions.

A **Switch off and disconnect from power**
WHY A router that turns on by accident while you handle the bit can cause a serious injury. DeWalt's manual says to turn the unit off and disconnect it from the power source before installing or removing accessories.

TRADES & SHOP



What router bit shank should you use in a given collet?

- A** Any shank, it will tighten
- B** The thickest shank that fits
- C** A shank that matches the collet

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6226

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How many oranges grow on a tree? All of them.

C **A shank that matches the collet**
WHY A bit whose shank does not match the collet size may not be held securely and could loosen while the router runs. DeWalt's manual says to only use bits with shanks that match the installed collet.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA says jointer knives must not project more than how far past the cylindrical head body?

- A** One inch
- B** One-eighth inch
- C** Three-quarters inch

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6227

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the evil queen order her subjects to cut down all the trees in the kingdom? She was jealous because every one of them had a bigger crown than her.

B **One-eighth inch**
WHY A knife that sticks out too far takes a bigger bite and increases the risk of kickback and contact. OSHA 1910.213(j)(1) limits projection to one-eighth inch beyond the cylindrical body.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA's eTool says to use hold-down push blocks when jointing wood narrower than what?

- A** 1 inch
- B** 3 inches
- C** 12 inches

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6228

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What kind of trees do you get when you plant kisses? Tulips.

B **3 inches**
WHY When stock is narrow, your hand would be near the cutterhead. Hold-down push blocks keep the board flat and your fingers away. OSHA also warns deep cuts increase the chance of kickback.

TRADES & SHOP



What is a jointer mainly used for?

- A** Making boards a consistent thickness
- B** Cutting curves
- C** Flattening and straightening a face or edge

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6229

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What do you get when you cross a tabby cat with a lemon tree? A sour puss.

C **Flattening and straightening a face or edge**
WHY A jointer makes one face flat and one edge square to it. A thickness planer then makes the other face parallel. Woodcraft stresses the jointer is not for milling boards to a consistent thickness.

TRADES & SHOP



When milling a rough board on a jointer, which surface is jointed first?

- A** One face first
- B** The end grain
- C** The edge first

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6230

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why isn't the squirrel hard at work collecting acorns at the oak tree? She called in sick and went to the beach.

A **One face first**
WHY The first flat face becomes the reference. Next, you joint an edge with that flat face against the fence so the edge comes out square. This is the first step in thicknessing stock.

TRADES & SHOP



What is a planer hazard listed by OSHA involving the feed system?

- A** The board catches fire
- B** The blades freeze in cold
- C** Hands pinched between the stock and the in-running rolls

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6231

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the Jedi say to the sacred tree? May the forest be with you.

C **Hands pinched between the stock and the in-running rolls**
WHY OSHA's planer page names in-running rolls as a hazard. Hands can be pinched between the stock and the feed rolls if the feed system is not properly guarded. It also lists kickback and noise.

TRADES & SHOP



On a band saw, the blade guide post should be adjusted to fit what?

- A** The color of the wood
- B** The thickness of the stock
- C** The length of the blade

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6232

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How did the tree get lost? It took the wrong root.

B **The thickness of the stock**
WHY Setting the guide post just above the work covers more of the blade and gives more guarding. OSHA says the most common band saw injury comes from contact with the blade.

TRADES & SHOP



After tightening a drill press chuck, what should you do right away?

- A** Remove the chuck key
- B** Leave it in so you don't lose it
- C** Tape the key to the table

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6233

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Not all construction work is equally enjoyable. Drilling a large hole is boring, but fastening two pieces of metal together is riveting.

A Remove the chuck key
WHY A chuck key left in the chuck can be thrown when the spindle starts. OSHA's drill press training script says to remove the key as soon as you finish tightening.

TRADES & SHOP



Safety glasses for woodworking should meet which ANSI standard?

- A** ANSI B11
- B** ANSI A1
- C** ANSI Z87.1

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6234

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why couldn't the evergreen ever land a date? It was so busy pinning after unavailable trees that it never really branched out.

C ANSI Z87.1
WHY OSHA 1910.133 requires eye and face protection to meet ANSI/SEA Z87.1. DeWalt's saw manual also lists ANSI Z87.1 eye protection as certified safety gear.

TRADES & SHOP



Do everyday eyeglasses count as safety glasses, according to DeWalt?

- A** No, they are not safety glasses
- B** Yes, if they are thick
- C** Yes, if the lenses are glass

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6235

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What is green, has leaves, and a trunk? A houseplant going on vacation.

A No, they are not safety glasses
WHY DeWalt's manual says everyday eyeglasses are not safety glasses. Use eye protection marked Z87.1, with side protection for flying chips.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA's permissible noise exposure over an eight-hour day is how many dBA?

- A** 70 dBA
- B** 90 dBA
- C** 110 dBA

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6236

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Which Canadian city is a favorite vacation spot for American trees? Montreal.

B 90 dBA
WHY OSHA's limit is 90 dBA averaged over eight hours. At 85 dBA, the action level, employers must start a hearing conservation program and make hearing protectors available.

TRADES & SHOP



NIOSH says the NRR printed on a hearing protector package often does what?

- A** Understates how much it helps
- B** Equals the decibels removed exactly
- C** Does not reflect actual protection

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6237

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Despite all these modern construction tools, I think the shovel is the most groundbreaking.

C Does not reflect actual protection
WHY NIOSH says the noise reduction rating on the package often does not reflect the actual protection each worker gets. NIOSH has recommended derating it, and fit testing checks real protection.

TRADES & SHOP



CPSC warns that rags soiled with which oils can heat up and ignite?

- A** Linseed and tung oil
- B** Water and soap
- C** Silicone and graphite

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6238

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What do vain trees do to get rid of wrinkles? Get a faceleaf.

A Linseed and tung oil
WHY Drying oils such as linseed and tung oil give off heat as they dry. A pile of rags can trap that heat and ignite. CPSC says a soiled towel, heat and air together can start a fire.

TRADES & SHOP



What is a safe way to handle oily finishing rags, per Woodcraft?

- A** Hang them to dry outside
- B** Ball them up in a plastic bag
- C** Toss them in a warm pile

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6239

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What do you call nice trees without any teeth? Sweetgums.

A Hang them to dry outside
WHY Rags with oil finish can spontaneously combust. Woodcraft says to hang and dry oily rags outside or put them in a self-closing oily rag disposal can, never a loose pile.

TRADES & SHOP



Woodcraft says which kind of wood dust is the real problem?

- A** Big chips
- B** Planer shavings
- C** Fine dust

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6240

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How can you get down from a tree? You can't, because down comes from a duck.

C Fine dust
WHY The smallest particles stay in the air the longest and get deep into the lungs. Old dust bags grabbed only particles larger than 30 microns, letting the finest dust escape.

TRADES & SHOP



For heavy shop tools, which extension cord is thicker?

- A** 16 gauge
- B** 10 gauge
- C** 18 gauge

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6241

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What do you call a military tree who doesn't return on time? Absent without leave.

B 10 gauge
WHY Wire gauge runs backward: a smaller number means thicker wire. Woodcraft recommends thicker, lower gauge cords (10 or 12) and not running heavy tools off one cord.

TRADES & SHOP



According to OSHA, which is more hazardous: dull tools or sharp tools?

- A** Sharp tools
- B** They are the same
- C** Dull tools

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6242

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the rock say when it rolled into the tree? Nothing. Rocks don't talk!

C Dull tools
WHY OSHA says knives and scissors must be sharp because dull tools can cause more hazards than sharp ones. A dull edge needs more force and slips more easily.

TRADES & SHOP



What may happen if a chisel is used as a screwdriver?

- A** The tip may break and fly off
- B** It will bend into a hook
- C** It will sharpen itself

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6243

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Did you hear about the elephant that got stuck up a tree last summer? To get down, she had to sit on a branch and wait until fall.

A The tip may break and fly off
WHY A chisel is hardened to cut, not twist. OSHA warns that using it as a screwdriver can break the tip, sending a fragment toward you or others.

TRADES & SHOP



What can loose clothing, ties or jewelry do around power tools?

- A** Block static electricity
- B** Get caught in moving parts
- C** Make the tool quieter

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6244

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why were so many people sitting under the tree? It was poplar.

B Get caught in moving parts
WHY Spinning bits, blades and chucks can wrap up loose clothing or jewelry and pull your hand in. OSHA, DeWalt and SawStop all say to remove them. Tie back long hair.

TRADES & SHOP



What must never be removed from a power tool plug, according to OSHA?

- A** The cord
- B** The switch
- C** The third prong

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6245

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How do trees contact one another? By telephone.

C The third prong
WHY A three-wire cord with a ground sends stray current away from you if there is a fault. OSHA says the third prong must never be removed from the plug.

TRADES & SHOP



DeWalt's circular saw manual defines kickback as a sudden reaction to what?

- A** A pinched, bound or misaligned blade
- B** A full battery
- C** A new blade

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6246

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
How old was the tiny tree? Near-leaf five.

A A pinched, bound or misaligned blade
WHY Kickback is a sudden reaction to a pinched, bound or misaligned saw blade. Causes include unsupported material, a twisting blade, dull blades, or restarting a cut with the blade jammed.

TRADES & SHOP



If you stop a circular saw cut partway, what should you do?

- A** Pull it out right away
- B** Tilt it sideways
- C** Hold it motionless until the blade stops

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6247

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What type of fish falls from trees? Jel-leaf-ish.

C Hold it motionless until the blade stops
WHY A spinning blade can catch and kick back if you lift or move the saw. DeWalt says to release the trigger and hold the saw motionless in the material until the blade comes to a complete stop.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA says dull or badly set saws must be what?

- A** Used for softwood only
- B** Removed from service immediately
- C** Re-oiled and kept

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6248

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Did you know that I can cut down a dead tree just by looking at it? It's true. I saw it with my own eyes!

B Removed from service immediately
WHY A dull blade burns, binds and needs more force, which raises kickback risk. OSHA 1910.213(s)(1) says dull, badly set or improperly tensioned saws shall be immediately removed from service.

TRADES & SHOP



OSHA requires woodworking machines to not do what when power returns after an outage?

- A** Turn off all lights
- B** Restart on their own
- C** Run slower

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6249

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
Why do you never want to invite a tree to your party?
Because they never leave when you want them to.

B Restart on their own
WHY A machine that restarts by itself after a power cut can start while someone is clearing it or changing a blade. OSHA 1910.213(b)(3) requires that machines not auto-restart where injury could result.

TRADES & SHOP



On a table saw, which guide is typically used for a crosscut?

- A** The rip fence
- B** The riving knife
- C** The miter gauge

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

#6250

SESK.INFO

STRAIGHT FACE
What's the best way to make a tree laugh? Tell it
an acorn-y joke.

C The miter gauge
WHY A crosscut goes across the width of a board to change its length. The miter gauge slides in a table slot and holds the wood square to the blade. A rip cut uses the fence.

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