

Vermont Crostic Puzzle by Rick Winston

Answer the clues; transfer the letters on the numbered dashes to the correspondingly numbered squares in the diagram. Work back and forth between the grid and the word list to complete the puzzle. The finished puzzle will spell out a quotation (from a Vermont author or on a Vermont theme) reading from left to right; black squares separate the words in the quotation. **The “crostic” part of the puzzle (“crostic” derived from the Greek, meaning “head”) is that the first letters of the clued answers, reading down, will spell out the name of the author and/or the source of the quotation.**

1	V	2	W	3	P		4	E	5	B	6	P	7	D	8	V	9	S		10	F	11	R	12	A	13	B	14	I		15	L	16	M	17	J		18	I	19	U	20	M	21	A		
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85	D			86	H	87	Q	88	X		89	V	90	K	91	A	92	U	93	T	94	I		95	G	96	L		97	S	98	K	99	O	100	A	101	B	102	R	103	I		104	M		
105	O	106	H	107	W		108	X	109	W	110	M	111	N		112	O	113	R	114	A	115	B	116	X	117	V	118	K		119	V	120	U	121	J	122	A	123	B	124	S	125	R			
126	N	127	C			128	A	129	K	130	M	131	T	132	B	133	S		134	E	135	N	136	H	137	J		138	U	139	W	140	J		141	R	142	K	143	A	144	B	145	X			
146	F	147	D			148	A	149	I	150	J	151	S	152	V		153	R	154	A	155	B	156	I	157	S	158	U	159	X	160	O	161	P		162	F	163	H	164	K		165	A	166	C	
167	I	168	K	169	W	170	B	171	R	172	O		173	P	174	U	175	M	176	E		177	Q	178	H	179	T		180	K	181	I	182	T		183	O	184	C	185	N	186	H				

A. Handy tool for gripping small objects (two words)

74 154 165 38 100 114 52 83 122 91

143 21 128 63 12 148

B. Famed Pacific site known locally as “Rapa Nui” (two words)

70 41 155 123 170 115 101 57 144 132 5 13

C. Video/DVD component

184 166 35 54 127

D. Astronaut Sally

147 7 60 85

E. The origin of “madras” and “dungarees”

4 134 176 64 46

F. “Forget it!” (two words)

68 146 10 162 79

G. Pale yellow Dutch cheese

28 95 33 25 59

H. Creepy film starring Gregory Peck, 1976 (two words)

86 49 106 178 136 186 163

I. Vermont state bird (two words)

103 156 71 18 36 61 44 94 167 149 14 181

J. Being human, they say

137 140 17 121 24 150

K. Marlon Brando role, 1953 (full name)

72 118 90 40 142 98 180 168 129 164

L. What Annie’s dog Sandy says

23 96 15

M. Controlled; exerted

20 16 31 104 175 110 130

N. Totem pole figure, in idiomatic speech (two words)

34 66 111 185 135 126

O. Venus or Mercury (two words)

160 105 43 172 73 56 99 183 47 112 84

P. Ingmar Bergman, for one

161 173 3 6 50

Q. Some TVs have this capacity (abbr.)

27 87 177

R. Popular name of painter born Anna Mary Robertson (1860-1961)

78 153 171 37 125 113 55 141 11 102 81 26

S. Ian McEwan 2001 best-seller

151 69 32 133 124 157 97 9 48

T. Phillies centerfielder Ashburn

179 51 93 58 131 182

U. Lesh/Hunter Grateful Dead song of 1970 (three words)

158 77 120 174 138 30 19 39 92

V. Exceeding all expectation (three words)

75 82 89 42 62 119 117 45 8 152 1

W. Left without parents

139 107 169 2 29 109 22 53

X. Twins slugger Harmon

108 116 76 159 88 80 65 145 67

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