

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.** The puzzle will appear every second and fourth Sunday; thanks this time to Betty Davis and Ruth Wallace-Brodeur.

1	G	2	K	3	S		4	F	5	R	6	J		7	N	8	R	9	F		10	O	11	S	12	G	13	W	14	U		15	S	16	E	17	Q		18	U	19	C	20	H	21	Q	22	E			
		23	Q	24	V	25	M		26	C	27	W	28	P	29	H	30	K	31	I	32	O		33	C	34	F		35	I	36	V	37	Q		38	M	39	I	40	E		41	K	42	S	43	M			
			44	A	45	P	46	G	47	B	48	O	49	W		50	W	51	O	52	B	53	S	54	G	55	C	56	P		57	A	58	F	59	T	60	H	61	P	62	O	63	B		64	T	65	W	66	D
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178	S		179	C	180	P	181	O	182	T	183	B	184	H		185	U	186	N	187	M		188	D	189	C	190	K	191	W	192	P	193	U	194	O	195	G	196	B											

A. Without direction

69 132 138 157 111 106 84 163 57 44

B. Actors who wait in the wings

85 119 63 52 130 196 104 93 183 47 68 101

C. Edith Wharton novel featuring Lily Bart (four words)

128 150 113 19 89 189 26 143

33 179 155 165 55 102 136

D. Commotion

71 66 112 188 173 92

E. Appeal to the lowest common denominator

22 77 16 40 72 110

F. Bumbling ones

58 4 34 9

G. Give back; spew forth

171 54 114 90 46 195 125 80 144 1 12

H. In an onerous manner

135 134 20 60 127 149 109 91 184 29 75

I. Knicks star Patrick

31 76 35 39 120

J. Jazz units

6 99 147 162 79

K. Cause of many an auto inspection failure

176 139 118 30 168 190 133 2 41 103

L. If items sell like these, you're doing well

177 122 94 167 161 74 158 154

M. Number VII had an Age named after him

43 187 108 38 140 25

N. Epitomes of aquatic grace

73 7 159 186 78

O. Missouri home of Harry S. Truman

115 194 32 51 142 62 88 175 169 48 10 181

P. Established procedure (two words)

86 131 192 148 56 172 45 28 166 105 116 61 180

Q. Kayaker or canoer

123 23 67 17 152 37 21

R. Fragrant May bloomers

153 5 83 8 126 160

S. “Jungle Book” figure

178 11 3 53 42 15 174 95

T. Mediocre; far from thrilling

182 156 145 141 64 59 107 70 137 124

U. Often seen on cufflinks or stationery

193 14 87 121 151 185 82 18

V. Bird feeder sight

98 81 24 36 96

W. Test of brain function

146 117 164 97 50 129 170 191 65 49 100 13 27