

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 Andrea Serota.

1	B		2	Q	3	U	4	H	5	G	6	A	7	O		8	Q	9	G	10	M	11	U	12	L		13	C	14	R		15	M	16	K	17	Q	18	X		
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| <p>A. April bloomer used for wine

 62 110 155 41 6 28 117 80 67</p> <p>B. Yahoo alternative

 1 77 72</p> <p>C. Also known as artemisia

 151 13 79 108 134 56 85 68</p> <p>D. Anise-like herb with long, black seeds (two words)

 157 116 58 37 111 146 21 27 66 46 88</p> <p>E. It might be a “pygmy” or a “screech” variety

 90 141 87</p> <p>F. Get on one’s case

 136 24 91</p> <p>G. An alternative to allopathy (two words)

 147 156 55 113 30 69 9 34 5 45 74 49 120 19</p> <p>H. Plant used for salves, swellings, chilbains, and wine

 61 114 39 29 153 98 125 64 4 145</p> <p>I. In court, a kind of sheet

 33 53 71</p> <p>J. Age-defying treatment

 126 93 84 137 35</p> <p>K. Lavender and sage are ingredients, often.

 99 83 16 109</p> <p>L. U.S. president (1795 -1849)

 143 107 12 22</p> <p>M. Having dire consequences

 10 94 42 123 15</p> | <p>N. Key word in math, music or botany

 139 130 32 76</p> <p>O. One form of herbal preparation

 57 112 7 149 36 26 97 51</p> <p>P. Like Jerry Lewis’ “Professor” (1957)

 101 138 128 129 47</p> <p>Q. Annual herb with yellow flowers, good for digestion

 115 50 154 38 65 25 2</p> <p>_____
 54 124 148 44 17 133 8 75</p> <p>R. Music performed by Ravi Shankar

 14 73 48 104</p> <p>S. Like this recent Vermont summer

 52 140 131 78 105</p> <p>T. Feverfew can repel one

 100 82 144 23 106 118</p> <p>U. Not artificial

 142 152 122 127 92 3 11</p> <p>V. Don’t be on the wrong side of it

 20 102 103</p> <p>W. Result of some insect bites

 135 89 59 95</p> <p>X. Like many herbs in flower

 63 31 150 18 132 121 86 60</p> <p>Y. Use for boric acid or celandine

 40 70 96 81 43 158 119</p> |
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