

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; for tips on solving or other questions, e-mail crostic@lycos.com.

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| 22 | K | 23 | J | 24 | Q | 25 | F | 26 | B | | 27 | L | 28 | I | 29 | P | | 30 | F | 31 | V | 32 | A | 33 | P | 34 | B | 35 | R | 36 | H | | 37 | M | 38 | B | 39 | F | 40 | X | 41 | L | 42 | N | | |
| 43 | L | 44 | O | 45 | H | 46 | A | 47 | E | | 48 | N | 49 | F | 50 | X | 51 | L | 52 | W | 53 | B | | 54 | S | 55 | G | | 56 | Q | 57 | W | 58 | K | 59 | R | | 60 | C | | 61 | H | 62 | L | | |
| 63 | S | 64 | X | | 65 | P | 66 | S | | 67 | V | 68 | O | 69 | X | 70 | A | 71 | W | | 72 | T | 73 | D | | 74 | G | | 75 | F | 76 | N | 77 | B | 78 | X | 79 | L | 80 | Q | 81 | H | | | | |
| 82 | L | 83 | I | 84 | R | | 85 | O | 86 | Q | 87 | K | 88 | F | | 89 | N | 90 | M | 91 | U | 92 | J | | 93 | V | 94 | D | 95 | X | | 96 | F | 97 | D | 98 | N | 99 | U | 100 | X | 101 | I | 102 | B | |
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| 123 | I | 124 | J | 125 | W | | 126 | S | 127 | T | 128 | I | | 129 | W | 130 | C | 131 | R | | 132 | T | 133 | U | | 134 | A | 135 | M | 136 | F | 137 | B | 138 | L | 139 | X | 140 | N | 141 | G | 142 | E | | | |
| 143 | V | | 144 | N | 145 | B | 146 | F | 147 | I | 148 | A | | 149 | K | 150 | U | 151 | P | | 152 | A | 153 | F | 154 | L | 155 | X | 156 | W | 157 | B | 158 | H | | 159 | E | 160 | B | | 161 | K | 162 | A | | |
| 163 | H | 164 | L | 165 | X | 166 | B | 167 | M | | 168 | K | 169 | X | 170 | O | 171 | T | | 172 | D | 173 | U | | 174 | N | 175 | Q | 176 | W | 177 | B | 178 | F | 179 | A | 180 | X | 181 | L | 182 | H | | | | |

A. Erstwhile Yankee star known as “Moose” (full name)

152 15 179 70 134 148 110 117 32 162 46

B. Quebec area often mentioned in weather reports (two words)

160 8 177 112 102 166 77

120 38 104 53 157 145 34 137 26

C. Informer, slangily

130 60 2

D. Filberts, macadamias, and the like

94 97 172 73

E. Nickname for mandolinist David Grisman

142 103 159 47

F. Nixon advisor who planned Allende’s overthrow (full name)

113 178 13 136 88 75 118 30 96 146 39 25 153 49

G. Unit of corn

141 74 55

H. “I can’t figure it out” (three words)

45 10 61 158 20 81 182 163 36

I. Ingredient in hearty soup (two words)

119 28 101 128 123 108 83 147

J. Coke’s alcoholic partner

23 124 92

K. “I’m not kidding!” (three words)

149 168 9 58 22 87 161 18

L. Its first president was Vaclav Havel (two words)

154 51 181 82 41 138 114 164 12 43 79 62 27

M. Producer/actor John

19 106 135 3 167 37 90 16

N. Famed Abbott and Costello routine (three words)

89 105 11 140 174 116 48 76 98 42 144

O. Submerge in liquid

1 6 68 44 115 85 170

P. Church areas

29 65 33 4 151

Q. A syndrome is named for this French physician (1857-1904)

21 24 175 111 80 56 86 121

R. Occurrence

5 35 131 84 59

S. Tiers; arguments

63 54 126 66

T. Comic strip sound effect

132 127 72 171

U. Out in the open

173 99 133 91 150

V. Home of the Neva and the Volga

122 31 67 7 143 93

W. Sound of amusement

71 129 156 17 57 125 52 176

X. Biblical pair (three words)

14 155 180 139 64

165 109 95 78 50 107 100 69 40 169

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