

Vermont Crostic Puzzle

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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.

1	H	2	Q	3	O	4	A	5	T	6	G		7	W	8	X		9	F		10	D	11	A	12	G	13	B	14	L	15	Q		16	H	17	D	18	S				
19	M			20	J	21	D	22	U			23	T	24	B	25	Q	26	L	27	J	28	A	29	H			30	V	31	U			32	U	33	R			34	S	35	A
36	N	37	B	38	G	39	K	40	H			41	E	42	M	43	D	44	O	45	T			46	X	47	J	48	R	49	V			50	K	51	A	52	R			53	A
54	H	55	S	56	N	57	L	58	Q	59	G	60	B	61	C	62	K	63	V			64	V	65	C			66	X	67	W			68	L	69	G	70	S	71	H	72	A
73	F	74	K	75	B			76	P	77	L	78	N	79	H	80	A	81	B	82	S	83	I					84	A	85	K	86	H	87	N	88	B	89	S	90	A		
91	Q	92	L			93	L	94	R	95	E	96	H	97	N			98	M	99	O	100	T			101	W	102	X	103	B			104	H	105	A	106	P	107	O	108	S
109	Q			110	D	111	J	112	U			113	I	114	N	115	E	116	B	117	H	118	K	119	A			120	W	121	E	122	F	123	U			124	L	125	I	126	G
127	N	128	B	129	P			130	S	131	X			132	B	133	T	134	E	135	M			136	P	137	J			138	C			139	I	140	P	141	G	142	B	143	V
		144	C	145	P	146	N	147	I	148	M			149	I	150	D	151	T	152	E	153	V			154	K	155	B	156	S	157	I	158	Q	159	O						

A. Classic “neo-realist” film, 1948 (two words, with “The”)

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84 72 53 119 80 35 28 11 51 4 105 90

B. Of distances in outer space

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60 75 88 81 24 37 116 128 13 142 103 155 132

C. Heave-ho; pink slip

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65 138 61 144

D. One is described as “able-bodied”

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10 43 110 150 17 21

E. Place for relaxation

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134 95 115 152 41 121

F. Trajectory

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9 122 73

G. Ice-breaker, often

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126 38 69 12 59 141 6

H Real estate mogul and TV star (full name)

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29 54 79 86 117 104 40 71 96 1 16

I. There were 20,000 of them in a Verne story

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147 125 149 139 113 157 83

J. Coming soon (two words)

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47 111 137 20 27

K. Like the U.S. in the Spanish Civil War

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39 85 62 50 154 74 118

L. Struggled; hoisted

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124 77 68 26 93 92 57 14

M. Electrical device; track race

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42 19 135 98 148

N. Treated disrespectfully

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78 56 114 87 146 127 36 97

O. Planet mentioned in weather reports

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3 44 99 107 159

P. Domain of Charlemagne, e.g

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129 106 76 136 140 145

Q. “Bet I’ll get there first!” (two words)

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158 25 58 109 15 2 91

R. Architect Christopher

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48 94 52 33

S. Teachers’ time during the school year (hyphenated)

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89 55 82 70 108 156 130 18 34

T. Words with “then” or “again” (two words)

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5 151 23 133 45 100

U. Excessively sharp dresser

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112 32 31 22 123

V. Set off, as an engine

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30 153 49 64 63 143

W. Armada; fleet

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67 7 120 101

X. Like some fancy communities

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46 66 8 102 131

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