

# 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](mailto:crostic@lycos.com).

1	S	2	I	3	L	4	Y	5	J	6	T	7	G	8	R	9	V	10	E	11	D	12	Y	13	O	14	J	15	Q	16	L	17	R	18	L	19	X	20	I	21	A	22	S		
23	K	24	X	25	B	26	F	27	O	28	S	29	R	30	R	31	J	32	Q	33	O	34	L	35	B	36	Y	37	G	38	K	39	Q	40	P	41	F	42	J	43	O				
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129	L	130	Q	131	M	132	S	133	O	134	D	135	L	136	Q	137	J	138	M	139	O	140	S	141	B	142	B	143	W	144	G	145	T	146	C	147	U	148	Q	149	Y	150	C	151	L
152	L	153	J	154	O	155	G	156	K	157	F	158	Q	159	D	160	I	161	O	162	J	163	Q	164	L	165	D	166	I	167	U	168	G	169	P	170	G	171	B	172	O	173	V	174	W
175	U	176	P	177	V	178	J	179	M	180	N	181	S	182	Y	183	I	184	J	185	O	186	Y	187	S	188	Q	189	L	190	D	191	I	192	G										

- A. Musical “tail”      \_\_\_\_\_  
 21 99 82 66
- B. Smoked intoxicant      \_\_\_\_\_  
 35 142 141 79 68 171 25
- C. Having an outer edge      \_\_\_\_\_  
 150 60 111 65 146 55
- D. Showing curiosity      \_\_\_\_\_  
 190 126 101 48 159 165 11 116 105 134
- E. Weapon covering      \_\_\_\_\_  
 56 102 52 10 57 117
- F. High-stakes card game      \_\_\_\_\_  
 157 26 78 107 41 114 80 109
- G. Cancer specialist      \_\_\_\_\_  
 37 7 97 110 192 168 155 170 127 144
- H. Circumstance (chiefly British)      \_\_\_\_\_  
 51 91 67
- I. Anita O’Day or Ella Fitzgerald, for example (two words)      \_\_\_\_\_  
 92 20 69 70 160 2 86 183 191 166
- J. Increase in speed      \_\_\_\_\_  
 162 184 14 153 122 44 31 178 42 137 5 77
- K. Feature of Woodstock-era rock concerts (two words)      \_\_\_\_\_  
 38 96 87 120 50 128 156 58 23
- L. Sinclair Lewis novel set in Vermont (four words)      \_\_\_\_\_  
 121 189 34 135 152 129  
 47 16 104 18 98 3 164 76 84 151
- M. Substantiated      \_\_\_\_\_  
 71 131 74 179 113 138 108 123
- N. Zero, in Britain      \_\_\_\_\_  
 90 63 180
- O. Popular old TV quiz show (four words)      \_\_\_\_\_  
 154 27 125 161 185 43 139 33 13 172 75 133 95
- P. Prune or cheese, for example      \_\_\_\_\_  
 169 176 61 72 94 40
- Q. “You can dish it out, but \_\_\_\_\_” (four words)      \_\_\_\_\_  
 115 158 130 119 188 136 163 148 45 53 32 15 39
- R. Blue stone, “\_\_\_\_\_lazuli”      \_\_\_\_\_  
 17 29 30 8 59
- S. Convincingly real      \_\_\_\_\_  
 1 181 132 22 140 85 187 28
- T. Notorious “Bounty” captain      \_\_\_\_\_  
 83 6 89 62 145
- U. Affirmation      \_\_\_\_\_  
 64 175 147 118 81 167
- V. Convent figures      \_\_\_\_\_  
 177 173 73 9
- W. Accessory for a “weepie”      \_\_\_\_\_  
 143 54 174 49 93 103 88
- X. Sprite      \_\_\_\_\_  
 24 19 100
- Y. Headgear for Davy Crockett (two words)      \_\_\_\_\_  
 124 106 186 4 36 149 182 46 112 12

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