

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.

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

A. Must-have toy of 1996 (three words)

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141 121 112 69 78 107 116 61 153 16 5 37

B. Bringing enlightenment

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114 56 124 1 7 100 87 39

C. Dosage dispenser, often

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19 2 133 85 138 13 83

D. Having “the gift of gab”

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105 143 109 38 82 118 31 23 131 150

E. Mathematician Paul

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52 129 99 79 149

F. Parts of suits

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103 91 12 28 26

G. Where bronze medalists finish (two words)

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147 98 125 90 27 9 63

H. Underhanded ruse (two words)

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144 128 123 101 108 132 41 111 29 96

I. Cash carriers

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20 142 106 32 65 94 77 51 102

J. Purchasing plan

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50 57 126 97 75 25 117

K. Describing an Ulan Bator resident (two words)

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130 119 34 14 140 4 17 115 48 30 66 151 104 43

L. “Ripley’s Believe it or Not” item

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146 10 81 11 148 6

M. Grown eccentric with age

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59 139 89 145 73

N. Orioles’ Hall-of-Famer third baseman (full name)

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15 136 122 49 113 33 36 22 92 86 68 45 3 58

O. Far from blunt (hyphenated)

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21 67 152 55 120 64 35 42 93 135

P. Casual, as in a remark

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95 127 134 40 74 53 71

Q. Painter Georgia

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137 84 70 62 47 80 88

R. Kingfisher native to Australia

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24 46 18 44 76 72 110 54 60 8

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