

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	J	2	M	3	H	4	F	5	V		6	N	7	D	8	V	9	L	10	A	11	I		12	V	13	R	14	S		15	C	16	F	17	K	18	G	19	Q	
20	U	21	D			22	K	23	F	24	Q	25	J	26	P	27	C		28	T	29	K	30	G	31	N	32	F	33	A	34	C	35	D	36	B		37	R	38	U
		39	A	40	K	41	F	42	C	43	G	44	U	45	P	46	T		47	K	48	F	49	C	50	T	51	E	52	Q	53	N		54	J	55	F	56	I	57	N
		58	K	59	G	60	U	61	V	62	D		63	A		64	A	65	F	66	K	67	L		68	F	69	M		70	U	71	K	72	L	73	T	74	C		
75	E	76	B	77	I	78	A	79	D	80	S	81	Q	82	F		83	F	84	A	85	N	86	S		87	P	88	I		89	F	90	A	91	J	92	C	93	G	
94	B	95	K	96	T		97	B	98	O		99	D	100	P	101	G	102	H		103	E	104	H		105	K	106	J	107	B	108	G	109	M	110	Q				
111	G	112	O			113	B	114	C	115	Q	116	T	117	S	118	A	119	K	120	F		121	K		122	A	123	F	124	E	125	K	126	S	127	H	128	L	129	T
		130	T	131	Q	132	K	133	U	134	V	135	G	136	F	137	D		138	R	139	C		140	M	141	H	142	O		143	K	144	Q	145	A	146	C	147	U	
148	T	149	G	150	F	151	E	152	L		153	U	154	E		155	U	156	F	157	Q	158	D	159	N		160	A	161	D	162	K	163	N	164	E	165	C	166	T	

A. British poet who declined Poet Laureate honors, 1964 (full name) K. Source of “Beauty is truth, truth beauty” (five words)

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 145 84 33 122 118 39 10 63 160 64 90 78

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 29 22 143 58 119 121

B. One part of an Everest climb

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 97 36 113 107 94 76

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 125 40 132 95 47 162 66 105 17 71

C. Poet who lived in Ripton, Vermont (full name)

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 74 34 42 146 114 92 15 165 139 49 27

L. Won by a small margin

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 9 72 128 152 67

D. Wordsworth’s “_____ as a cloud” (two words)

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 158 99 7 35 79 137 62 161 21

M. Soybean staple

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 140 2 69 109

E. Instant coffee brand

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 124 164 75 151 103 154 51

N. Poet Kipling

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 6 31 163 57 85 159 53

F. Thomas: “Do not go gentle _____” (four words)

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 65 150 32 41 4 156 123 136

O. Last word in Joyce’s “Ulysses”

____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 112 142 98

G. Game played with a plastic bat

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 18 93 108 59 30 149 111 135 43 101

P. Blind rodents of nursery fame

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 45 87 26 100

H. “Time _____ all wounds”

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 141 3 127 102 104

Q. Poet Pope (“The Rape of the Lock”)

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 19 110 157 144 52 81 131 115 24

I. Votes at town meeting

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 11 56 77 88

R. Ancient Egyptian king

____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 138 13 37

J. Aphids and their ilk

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 1 25 91 54 106

S. All together, in music

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 117 126 86 14 80

T. Well-known phrase of poet in Clue N (three words)

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 73 116 28 96 148 46 129 130 166 50

U. Soft French cheese

____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _ ____ _
 147 153 133 70 44 60 38 20 155

V. Apartment building V.I.P.

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 5 134 12 61 8

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