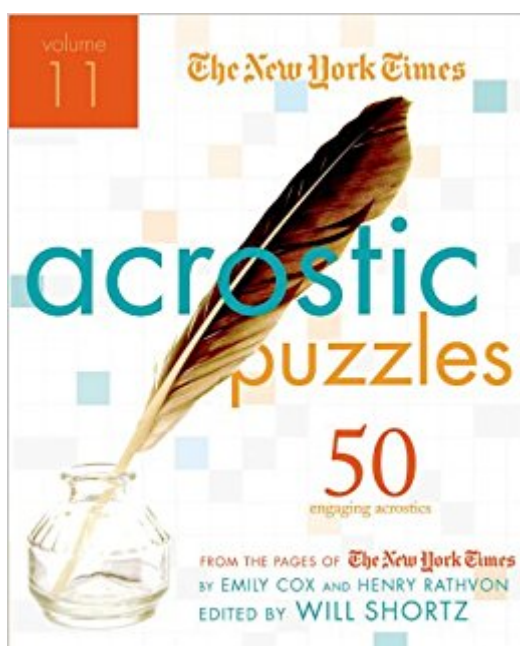


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Will Shortz has been the crossword puzzle editor of The New York Times since 1993. He is also the puzzlemaster on NPR's Weekend Edition Sunday and is founder and director of the annual American Crossword Puzzle Tournament. He has edited countless books of crossword puzzles, Sudoku, KenKen, and all manner of brain-busters. Emily Cox and Henry Rathvon are full-time freelance puzzle writers. They live in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

I love acrostics and these are top notch. I've only done a handful so far, but the quality is excellent. The book is a bit skimpy. You will get more bang for your buck with one of the Simon & Schuster Thomas Middleton collections (185 puzzles each for twice the price of these 50). Middleton's tend to be more literary than these, but so far I've found more variety in style with the NYT ones. So far I haven't found any cryptic crostics, my favorite type, in this book. S & S included a few of those. All in

all, these are well worth it. Edit: After nearly finishing the puzzles I'm dropping my rating one star for one reason - the font is just too small. I have extra strong reading glasses just for puzzles and even wearing those I can't see the numbers clearly. Why in the world did the editors choose such a tiny font? there's oceans of white space on every page. They could easily have a number font twice the size it is at least in the clue section.

I suppose if I was a pro at New York Times Sunday puzzles I wouldn't be so frustrated with these puzzles. I've been doing pretty challenging puzzles for years, but I cannot even get a couple of words in this book! Waste of money!

This volume of puzzles contains acrostics previously published a few years ago, in the Sunday NYT magazine, but I didn't do them way back when, so no problem--except for those of you who engage a search engine to research your answers-- beware your query could inadvertently bring up a website that has the actual word list answers to the particular published puzzle you are doing. The acrostics are all Cox-Rathvon edited by Short, which means, by and large, that the clues are more reasonably and more contemporary to deal with as an intellectual challenge than the older Middleton and Kingsley acrostic puzzles. Good bang for the buck.

Very pleased.

Oh, you people that would want this book know who you are! It's hard to find acrostic puzzles that aren't "British" and too unfamiliar to us Americans, so this collection hits the nail on the head. I was grateful for the spiral binding, too, because it's difficult to fight the pages squeezing shut while you're having enough of a challenge trying to figure out the clues. I thank you; my carpal tunnel syndrome thanks you...

I love acrostics and these did not disappoint. I would be totally happy if the print was darker and the letters larger, but guess I can't have it perfect. I feel fortunate to have found the puzzles at all

It's hard, but doable. I like that I get only one or two answers in the first run-through. It's very satisfying when it all comes together.

Looking for an easy puzzle and this was not it. Spent more time searching Google for answers

(knows the answers are in the back but didn't want to go this easy route).

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