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The New Comprehensive A-Z Crossword Dictionary



Synopsis

With more than two million copies in print, this exhaustively researched crossword dictionary is more comprehensive than its competitors because it's twice the length--featuring 70,000 entry words and 165,000 solution words. Includes newly-coined words, foreign terms, literary references, slogans, slang words, and more. Reissue. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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Customer Reviews

I am on my fourth copy of this dictionary. I have worn out the other three. I have owned several other crossword dictionaries but have found The New Comprehensive A-Z Crossword Dictionary to be the only one of any value. An absolute must if you do crosswords. I recently lent a copy to my 11 year old grandson for some homework of word puzzles which he found extremely helpful. He now owns his own copy.

I can't believe someone said this didn't help--maybe they were doing puzzles in some other language? If you can only afford ONE crossword dictionary--this is the one to buy. I use three different dictionaries, but this is the one I go to first. It means it when it says "comprehensive"--it is. I certainly couldn't get through a NY Times crossword puzzle without it!

I own all the important crossword puzzle dictionaries, such as the N.Y. Times x-word dictionary and Random House's x-word dictionary, not to mention about 10 others. No matter how many I try, I keep coming back to this one as my #1 dictionary. I get more answers out of this one than any other. I've owned it for years and it can't be beat. I highly recommend it.

This book has helped me enormously to complete two crossword puzzles daily. The book has given me a lot of encouragement and satisfaction to the point that crosswords puzzles are my passion and they give great satisfaction. The only reason this book did not get the five stars, but deservedly a 4 1/2, was the fact that it is a soft-covered book which has greatly disintegrated from constant usage and the book binding broke in half in less than a year. I made it a point to buy a similar book which was a hard cover, (Webster's) but was sorely disappointed in the book itself. It was not nearly as informative as the A-Z Crossword Dictionary and leaves much to be desired in the way of information. Thank you for letting me have my say. Anita Janiec

This book to me is excellent. Today I did the Sunday Funnies Crossword puzzle and got through 75% of my puzzle with this book. It features TV Shows & Characters etc. for that show. Movies with stars, Oscars etc. Noble prize winners through the years such as peace etc. I can't say enough about this book. Also used for the NY Times puzzle in the Sunday paper today. I have 8 other Crossword Dictionaries and the only other one equal to this is A to Z.

I have 5 or 6 crossword puzzle dictionaries but I keep going back to this one. In fact I have completely worn to tatters two paperback volumes and have bought a 3rd. I much prefer it to the NY Times one or the Schwanfeld although they both are excellent.

New Comprehensive A-Z Crossword Dictionary I purchased this crossword dictionary to replace one that I've utilized for reference for many years. I based my decision on the descriptive attributes of being bigger and better than ever with thousands of updated entries, and containing nearly twice as much information as competing crossword dictionaries. However, I find this crossword dictionary lacking in much of the word definitions and descriptive information that my old crossword dictionary contains. I find that I must still resort to my old crossword dictionary when stumped by crossword clues because the answer could not be found in the A-Z Crossword Dictionary.

I bought Mrs. Schaffer's "A-Z Crossword Dictionary" and I think it is probably the most used dictionary in my collection. There is no "one" crossword dictionary that will solve all of the clues. In my collection I have: "The New York Times Crossword Dictionary", "The Random House Crossword Dictionary", and "The Dell Crossword Dictionary". To also assist you in solving many crossword puzzles I recommend the "DVD & Video Guide 2004", "Proper Name Finder", and a good world

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