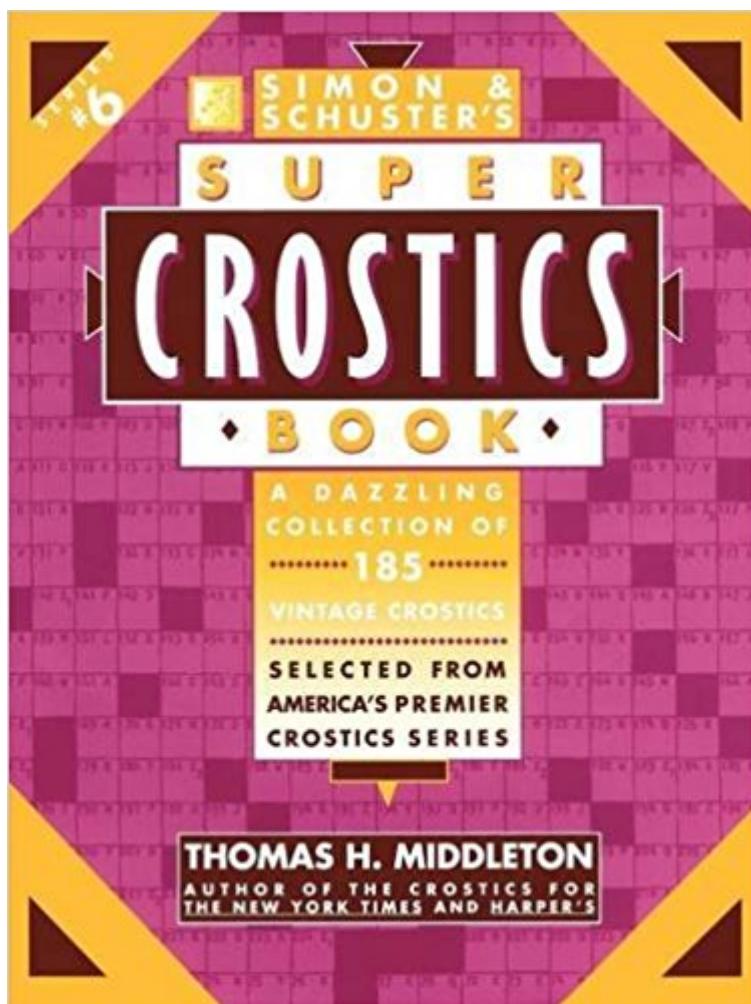


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Customer Reviews

Acrostics are my favorite category of word puzzle, and I am starting to feel worried that new acrostics books will be even fewer and farther between than they are now. If that were not the case, I probably would skip these acrostics from Thomas Middleton. If you haven't memorized Shakespeare (including the sonnets) and are not familiar with other European literature from before the 19th century, you may find yourself turning to the solutions page or looking stuff up on the Internet more than you would like. It's embarrassing to admit, but that is definitely my experience. I also find that many of Middleton's clues refer to usages that are at best obscure -- i.e., clues and solutions I would never link up even when I know what the answer is. Takes some of the fun out of working acrostics.

My mother gave me Super Crostics Book #4 when she could no longer see, and I became hooked. One of the puzzles in that book featured lines from William Blake's 'Auguries of Innocence' which lead me to the poem; I wish that this series (#6) featured more poems and quotations from classics rather than so much from modern authors; can anyone recommend an acrostics book that might? I agree with some of the other reviewers that many of the words are obscure and dated (rattlepate?--could not find it in two different editions of Websters New World Dictionary.)

I love Middleton's Crostics, and have been doing them for years. Some are more challenging than others, and every now and then you have a puzzle with riddles as clues, which I do not like. I enthusiastically recommend this series for crossword puzzle fans who want to go one notch higher.

Mr. Middleton' anacrostics were and are very difficult to do. I was fortunate to speak to him on the phone for he lived in L. A., where his passing went unnoticed. I hope some special recognition was given in New York. I would like one of his compilations which includes an anachronistic of mine.C

While this looks like an interesting and challenging set of Crostics the format is difficult to use. Instead of going page by page like a book it goes from top to bottom making it difficult to sit on sofa and solve the puzzles. I had no idea it was formatted in this manner and would never purchase any Accrostic done this way in the future.

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Simon & Schuster's Crostics Series offers months of enjoyment for those of us who love Crostics puzzles. It's the best deal around. My only beef is with the cryptic puzzles in which nearly every clue asks an unanswerable question. Those I ignore. Otherwise, this series can't be beaten.

Working through this book, one work day at a time. Keeps me on my toes about learning new things and engages my mind when I have free time at work.

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