

# **POP-CULTURE ACROSTIC PUZZLES**

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## Introduction

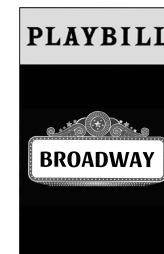
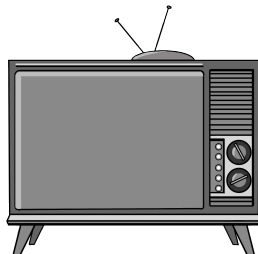
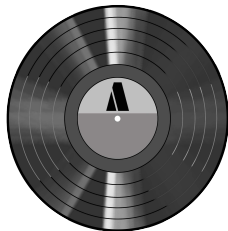
Acrostic puzzles are fun and challenging word games that offer multiple ways to solve them. To begin, fill in as many answers to the clues as you can. Then, transfer those letters to their corresponding numbers in the crossword grid. As you do this, familiar words and phrases will start to emerge, allowing you to use those letters to cross-reference back to the clues.

Each square in the grid has a number and letter that shows where the letter you enter appears in the clues. By working back and forth between the clues and the crossword grid, you'll eventually uncover a hidden quote from a popular movie, musician, television show, athlete, play, or author. The first letters of the clue answers will also spell out the author of the quote and its source, listed from top to bottom.

Most of the clues are directly related to the theme of the quote, providing even more ways to solve the puzzle. On average, about 75% of the clues are theme-related, and in some puzzles, all the clues tie back to the theme! Clues that seem tricky at first might become clearer once you discover the theme.

For multi-word answers, the number of words will be shown in parentheses, or it will indicate if the answer is hyphenate, abbreviated or a variation. Solutions and references to the themes are included at the back. For an added challenge, see how many references you can identify before checking the answers! (Warning: spoilers ahead!)

Pop-Culture Acrostic Puzzles combine the fun of crossword puzzles with pop-culture trivia. We hope you enjoy solving them as much as we enjoyed creating them.



A.	There's too much traffic, let's take the "													
B.	Sound from a Tommy gun (Hyph.)	7	277	270	199	59	158	170	109	82	122	291		
C.	Imaginary place we all dream of going to	89	77	50	198	297	130	181	232	83	29			
D.	Owner of the trademark "Hemi" (2)	157	164	132	305	288	265							
E.	'Twangy' guitarist known for "Rebel-Rouser" and "Forty Miles of Bad Road"	31	217	2	219	49	176	159	42	188	38	134	10	272
F.	Dr. Kevorkian's invention (2)	276	111	74	163									
G.	Movie starring Tom Hanks and Denzel Washington	266	71	215	55	8	273	101	172	248	234	17	151	22
H.	Scuba diver's goal (3)	85												
I.	Introduced fuel into an internal combustion engine	173	95	64	76	154	106	45	285	178	247	149	227	
J.	From dusk 'til dawn	102	260	201	34	298	229	80	18	155	281	195	279	193
K.	A time in the past regarded as being better than the present (2)	30	167	119	299	65	118	255	84					
L.	Christmas song written by Coots and Gillespie (6)	292	141	168	208	73								
M.	Fictional drag racing spot from the movie Grease (2)	216	309	20	27	75	256	66	103	223				
N.	Type of citizenship when born in the USA or both parents are citizens	121	304	300	301	308	12	36	209	252	295	258	312	242
O.	Win a UFC match							110	142	92	238	271	218	24
P.	Cornered (5)	191	280	120	275	58	112	81	124	114	35	206	202	282
Q.	Direct (4)	241	32	54	70	257	28	9	146	166	105	153		
R.	Home of the Cornhuskers	230	131	221	156	210								
S.	Amusement park ride for couples (3)	228	289	60	264	104	180	313	46	138	41	107	87	251
T.	2003 Thriller by Dean Koontz (2)													
U.	Mirror for combing your hair on the way to work	306	91	139	169	190	129	185	68					
V.	Private learning institution founded by Rockefeller (abbr.)	204	48	100	302	246	261	274	126	93	96	311	233	222
W.	"Never give up!" (2)	212	161	144	278	99	63	259	236					
X.	Classic beachfront amusement park in Wildwood, New Jersey	79	290	152	194	296	205	90	237	67	136	47	40	
Y.		117	254	23	94	140	43	14	187	207				
Z.		57	52	239	19	160	192	224	147					
		145	307	165	175									
		253	286	250	133	148	183	269	220	86	186	53		
		98	5	235	283	310	135	25	125	263	162	72		

@	"Stop it!" (3)											
	Freeport, to the quote's author	179	128	33	21	284	108	243	1	267	174	249
#	(2)											
	The boss of a small business,	214	62	262	56	197	26	184	196	226	11	
&	possibly											
	"Grab the extinguisher,	3	123	39	200	6						
\$	!!!" (3)											
		225	44	182	116	115	97	268	303			
/	Car driving over the line (2)											
		244	203	113	245	88	293	213				

## Puzzle 2

- [illegible]

1	O	2	#	3	F	4	C	5	U		6	Y	7	&		8	Q	9	L		10	N	11	U	12	Q	13	K			
14	A	15	E	16	Y			17	W	18	J			19	S	20	@	21	&	22	C	23	I	24	W	25	Q		26	@	
27	C	28	F	29	X	30	Y			31	B	32	L	33	T	34	W	35	U	36	V	37	S			38	W	39	D	40	X
41	S	42	Q			43	P	44	R	45	Z			46	S	47	C	48	O			49	L	50	F			51	M	52	U
53	Z			54	&	55	F	56	M	57	R	58	P			59	G	60	Q	61	K	62	#	63	C	64	U	65	P	66	&
67	X			68	\$	69	P			70	Q	71	E	72	@	73	B			74	U	75	M	76	H	77	S			78	B
79	M	80	C			81	G	82	\$			83	T	84	&			85	#	86	L	87	G	88	W			89	Q	90	P
		91	S	92	N			93	V	94	@	95	R	96	X			97	W	98	Y			99	N	100	A	101	F	102	T
103	D			104	#	105	W	106	R			107	V			108	N	109	H	110	Y	111	D	112	J			113	S		
114	Y	115	U	116	S			117	O	118	A	119	Z	120	V	121	H	122	C	123	Q			124	Z	125	B			126	L
127	U	128	E	129	S			130	D	131	I	132	H			133	L	134	U	135	Q	136	Y	137	C	138	B	139	H	140	T
		141	N	142	B			143	W	144	X	145	Y	146	L			147	V	148	&			149	\$			150	T	151	F
152	R	153	M	154	D	155	H	156	N	157	O	158	K			159	T	160	N	161	I	162	Y	163	U	164	F			165	Q
166	D	167	L	168	E	169	W	170	Z			171	X	172	A	173	F	174	&			175	W	176	X			177	A	178	G
179	O	180	U	181	M			182	S	183	O			184	O	185	P	186	U	187	#	188	Y	189	B	190	Q			191	U
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241	G	242	C			243	Q	244	P			245	C			246	D	247	@	248	C			249	X	250	Z			251	N
252	W	253	D	254	A			255	F	256	A	257	K	258	I	259	Q			260	H	261	N	262	#	263	J	264	I		
265	K	266	Z			267	M	268	&	269	T	270	D	271	B			272	Q	273	@	274	S								

Mtn range between Antonito, CO and Chama, NM and route of the Cumbres & @. Toltec Scenic Railroad (2)

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|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #.  | Author of <i>Lost City of the Incas</i> (2) | 2   | 236 | 62  | 238 | 213 | 104 | 187 | 223 | 203 | 209 | 262 | 85 |
| &.  | Preoccupied                                 | 268 | 54  | 7   | 66  | 148 | 84  | 174 | 21  |     |     |     |    |
| \$. | Party strongarm                             | 68  | 239 | 149 | 82  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |

## Puzzle 3

A.	Groom	259	16	174	196	11	68	173	114							
B.	Sinner	129	121	240	39	2	251	35	165							
C.	Abounding (2)															
	City at the junction of Clark Fork	267	123	180	127	233	43	190	258							
D.	and Bitterroot (2)	166	282	145	209	183	60	195	249	8	266	120	33	82	107	254
E.	Moves up to mate	106	57	25	146	67	59	213	21	187	19					
F.	Moronic	168	112	170	158	280	100	154	13							
G.	Adults live an average of one day	188	204	51	278	23	77									
H.	Allured															
	2006 film starring Jennifer Garner	223	193	78	91	272	139	255	231	131						
I.	(3)	149	18	64	202	261	227	93	171	5	74	279	211	69	186	164
J.	Guide	27	232	46	94	222	235									
K.	Lets up (2)	179	184	242	220	283	216	197	160							
L.	Clinton's Secretary of State															
	What a kind hearted genie might	92	122	155	73	9	42	219	89							
M.	grant (2)	83	66	17	108	198	221	126								
N.	Dipsomania	194	228	22	136	65	44	50	241	205	84					
O.	Eloped (3)	245	63	217	257	6	96	34	157	218	55					
P.	Right away (3)	229	29	274	256	116	62	225	239							
Q.	Jaw															
	Point when Clue G gets their	265	208	70	262											
R.	wings	90	287	167	61	226	124	80								
S.	Like some German wines															
	What might have been done to a	26	210	156	37	41	162	284								
T.	Clue Y	15	36	52	161	45	87	75	191	244	275					
U.	Hung over (3)	137	86	48	113	199	252	140	79	119	175	95	181	163	14	286
V.	Basketball brand	248	236	141	281											
W.	It molts on rocks	206	111	3	289	214	237	130	98							
X.	Land-dwelling	260	103	212	176	153	200	144	38	268	288	230				
Y.	British cabinetmaker	102	30	72	151	40	270	271	253	56	138	234				
Z.	Cleans	104	147	20	133	32	185									
@.	Downtime (2)	110	207	99	54	177	7	143	224	250						

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107	D				108	M	109	&	110	@			111	W	112	F	113	U	114	A		115	\$	116	P	117	#		118	/	
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			132	/	133	Z			134	>	135	&	136	N	137	U	138	Y		139	H	140	U	141	V	142	#	143	@	144	X
145	D				146	E	147	Z	148	\$	149	I	150	&	151	Y	152	/	153	X	154	F		155	L	156	S	157	O	158	F
159	&				160	K	161	T	162	S	163	U	164	I	165	B	166	D	167	R	168	F		169	>	170	F	171	I		
172	>	173	A				174	A	175	U	176	X	177	@			178	#	179	K	180	C	181	U		182	>	183	D		
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289	W																														
#. Disolves																															

#.	Disolves	4	47	285	88	12	264	76	178	142	117	243	24	101
&.	Ludomania (2)	58	192	246	31	238	150	215	159	109	71	135	85	269
\$.	Diva's display (2)	115	53	125	148	277	263	1	201					
/.	Smaller than Skye (3)	28	273	97	189	118	49	105	132	203	152			
>.	What lies beneath Holter and Hauser	182	169	81	10	172	134	128	247	276				

# **SOLUTIONS and REFERENCES**

## #1

Bruce Springsteen, *Born To Run* [memoir]

From (Roy) Orbison came the round operatic vocal tone ... From Elvis the records physical thrust ... Dylan ... threaded through the imagery and the idea of not just writing about SOMETHING but writing about EVERYTHING ... From Phil Spector the ambition to make a world shaking mighty noise. I wanted to craft a record that sounded like the last record on Earth ... One glorious noise then the apocalypse.

- A. BACKSTREETS (Bruce Springsteen song from the album *Born To Run*)
- B. RAT-A-TAT-TAT
- C. UTOPIA
- D. CHRYSLER MOTORS ("Born To Run" lyrics: "Beyond the Palace, hemi-powered drones scream down the boulevard")
- E. EDDY (The quote also includes: "From Duane Eddy came the guitar sound, Tramps like us... , then ba BA . . . BA ba, the twanging guitar lick.")
- F. SUICIDE MACHINE ("Born To Run" lyrics: "At night we ride through the mansions of glory in suicide machines")
- G. PHILADELPHIA (Bruce Springsteen wrote and performed "Streets of Philadelphia" for the movie)
- H. REACH THE BOTTOM
- I. INJECTED ("Born To Run" lyrics: "Chrome wheeled, fuel injected, and steppin' out over the line")
- J. NIGHT (Bruce Springsteen song from the album *Born To Run*)
- K. GLORY DAYS ("Glory Days" is a Bruce Springsteen song)
- L. SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN (Springsteen did a famous live version of this song)
- M. THUNDER ROAD (Bruce Springsteen song from the album *Born To Run*)
- N. EVERLASTING ("Born To Run" lyrics: "I wanna die with you, Wendy, on the street tonight in an everlasting kiss")
- O. EBOOK
- P. NO PLACE LEFT TO HIDE ("Born To Run" lyrics: "Everybody's out on the run tonight but there's no place left to hide")
- Q. BIRTHRIGHT ("Born in the USA" is a Bruce Springsteen song and album)
- R. OUT FIGHT
- S. RIGHT TO THE POINT
- T. NEBRASKA ("Nebraska" is a Bruce Springsteen song and album)
- U. TUNNEL OF LOVE ("Tunnel Of Love" is a Bruce Springsteen song and album)
- V. ODD THOMAS
- W. REARVIEW ("Born To Run" lyrics: "Girls comb their hair in rearview mirrors")
- X. U. CHI.
- Y. NO SURRENDER ("No Surrender" is a Bruce Springsteen song)
- Z. MOREYS PIERS ("Born To Run" lyrics: "The amusement park rises bold and stark. Kids are huddled on the beach in the mist", Springsteen is from New Jersey)
- @. ENOUGH OF THAT
- #. MY HOMETOWN ("My Hometown" is a Bruce Springsteen song)
- &. OWNER ("The Boss" is Springsteen's nickname)
- \$. I'M ON FIRE ("I'm On Fire" is a Bruce Springsteen song)
- /. ROAD HOG

## #2

Harrison Ford, *Empire* (Magazine and ) NBC Today Show

There is no barrier to Indiana Jones growing older. It's not an age based character. We can't bang him up as much as we used to, maybe. But I guess I can pretend to have the capacity as well as I pretended before ... Nobody [else] is gonna be Indiana Jones. Don't you get it? When I'm gone he's gone. It's easy. This is a hell of a way to tell Chris [Pratt] ... I'm sorry man.

- A. HOLY GRAIL (Quest in *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*)
- B. ANYTHING GOES (Song sung at the beginning of *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*)
- C. ROYAL MASONIC (Many of the University scenes in the movies were shot at The Royal Masonic School for Girls)
- D. ROSWELL E.T. (Indy finds a mummified extraterrestrial corpse from the Roswell UFO incident in *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*)
- E. IEHOVA (Refers to the second obstacle at the end of *The Last Crusade*. "Only in the footsteps of God will he proceed." The answer was Jehovah, but spelled in Latin as "Iehova")
- F. SEAN CONNERY (Plays Indiana's father in *The Last Crusade*)
- G. OCCULT (Many themes in the movies deal with the occult)
- H. NEPTUNE
- I. FAITH ("Leap of Faith" is the third obstacle at the end of *The Last Crusade*)
- J. OESTE (*Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade* puts adult Indy on a boat off the Portuguese Coast)
- K. RAIDERS (*Raiders of the Lost Ark* is the first Indiana Jones movie)
- L. DOUBLE ARCH (Double Arch is shown at the beginning of *The Last Crusade*)
- M. EAST ASIA (The opening of *Temple of Doom* takes place in Shanghai, but was filmed in Macau)
- N. MERIT BADGE (Young Indy is a Boy Scout at the beginning of *The Last Crusade*)
- O. PENITENT (Refers to the first obstacle in *The Last Crusade*. "Only the penitent man shall pass")
- P. INFESTED (Indy gets trapped in an underground temple infested with snakes)
- Q. ROY CHAPMAN ANDREWS (Archeologist and partial inspiration for Indiana Jones)
- R. EST EST EST
- S. NEW BEGINNING (Chris Pratt was rumored to take over the role of Indiana Jones, but declined after he heard the interview with Harrison Ford)
- T. BOOBY TRAP (There are many booby traps in the Indiana Jones movies)
- U. CABO DE GATA-NIJAR (Filming locations for the airplane/car chase scene in *The Last Crusade*)
- V. TUNISIA (Filming location for the desert scenes in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*)
- W. OUT THE WINDOW (Indy escapes out of the window to avoid his students)
- X. DESERTED (Indy was deserted in the underground temple full of snakes)
- Y. ARCHAEOLOGIST (These archaeologists were partial inspirations for Indiana Jones)
- Z. YOSEMITE (Filming location for the rafting scene in *Temple of Doom*)
- @. SAN JUAN (Filming location for the train scene in *The Last Crusade*)
- #. HIRAM BINGHAM (Archeologist and partial inspiration for Indiana Jones)
- &. OBSESSED (Indy's father was obsessed with the Holy Grail)
- \$. WHIP (Indy carries a whip)

## #3

Norman Maclean, *A River Runs Through It*

In our family, there was no clear line between religion and fly fishing ... Our father was a Presbyterian minister and a fly fisherman who tied his own flies ... He told us about Christ's disciples being fishermen, and we were left to assume ... that all first-class fishermen on the Sea of Galilee were fly fishermen and that John, the favorite, was a dry-fly fisherman.

- A. NEWLYWED (Norman marries his great love Jessie)
- B. OFFENDER (Paul is arrested for getting into a bar fight)
- C. RIFE WITH (Great trout rivers are rife with fish)
- D. MISSOULA, MONTANA (The book begins in Missoula, Montana. "We lived at the junction of great trout rivers in western Montana")
- E. ANADROMOUS (A term to describe fish that travel from the sea upriver to spawn in fresh water like salmon)
- F. NINNYISH (Neal is a ninny)
- G. MAYFLY (Popular fly fishing fly)
- H. ATTRACTED (Fish may be attracted to 'attractor' flies that are flashy and bright, rather than emulating a natural food item)
- I. CATCH AND RELEASE (Used to help to conserve fish populations)
- J. LEADER (Tapered monofilament that is between the fly line and the fly)
- K. EASES OFF (A fisherman may ease off the line when reeling in a fish)
- L. ALBRIGHT (A common knot used for tying the backing to fly line)
- M. NEW WISH
- N. ALCOHOLISM (Paul and Neal are both heavy drinkers)
- O. RAN OFF WITH (Neal ran off with a prostitute during their fishing trip)
- P. IN A JIFFY
- Q. VISE (Used to tie flies)
- R. EMERGER (A term for an aquatic insect at the stage when it swims to the surface to hatch or change from a nymph to an winged adult)
- S. RHENISH
- T. REFINISHED
- U. UNDER THE WEATHER (Neal is very hung over the next day)
- V. NERF
- W. STONEFLY (Popular fly fishing fly)
- X. TERRESTRIAL (Terrestrial insects like grasshoppers, crickets, ants, beetles and leaf worms)
- Y. HEPPLEWHITE
- Z. RINSES (Rinsing and cleaning fish)
- @. OFF SEASON (Fishing off season)
- #. UNESTABLISHES
- &. GAMBLING HABIT (Paul has a bad gambling habit)
- \$. HISSY FIT (Neal throws a fit in the car when they drop off the prostitute)
- /. ISLE OF MULL (The book discusses the family origins on the Isle of Mull)
- >. TAILWATER (The section of a river below a large man-made dam)