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## For 9 - 11 year olds

## Alphabet Crosswords

## Crossword puzzles based on the letters of the alphabet.

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## Introduction

The modern crossword puzzle was developed in the United States, the first appearing in a New York newspaper in December, 1913.

Since that time crosswords have become a popular pastime amongst people of all ages. As an educational aid the puzzles have proved to be excellent vocabulary builders which are appreciated by children as a relatively painless way of developing skills.

The Alpha Words puzzles in ALPHABET CROSSWORDS will help extend 9 to 11 year old children's skills with word definitions, spelling and vocabulary.

The 26 alphabetical puzzles in the book each focus on one letter of the alphabet, with the solutions in each puzzle all having the same initial letter (apart from $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$ and z ). These puzzles are supplemented by some thematic puzzles based on popular concepts, while the clever illustrations on each page add a stimulating dimension to the book.

## is for ALIEN



ACROSS
2. Very appropriate.
4. To be there.
5. The fruit of a type of tree.
6. To assist, or help.
7. Resting, often at night.
9. An animal with longer ears than a horse.
11. Using a rope to descend.
12. A place for birds.
13. A yearly calendar.
15. A small hole.
17. The turning point of a line.
18. To do with learning.
20. State of being away.
21. From another place.
22. Skillful at doing something.

DOWN

1. An instrument used with wood.
2. As well as.
3. A heavenly being.
4. AChinese counting instrument.
5. A place for monks or nuns.
6. In amongst.
7. A place for sporting events.
8. A warning.
9. To assist.
10. On fire.
11. Great rage.
12. An illness.
13. Reacting badly to something.
14. To leave behind.
15. A way through something.
16. Exercise that is to do with oxygen use.
17. A report about something.
18. A large primate.


## ACROSS

1. A two wheeled machine.
2. Meat from a pig.
3. Inhaling and exhaling oxygen.
4. Someone who steals goods.

6 . Without clothing or covering.
8. A day of celebration.
9. A square case used to put things in.
10. A place where lots of dough is made.
12. Water with a large amount of salt.
13. A violent snow storm.
14. The red fluid found in the body.
15. A long seat which many can sit on.
17. A wooden cylinder that usually holds liquids.
18. A looped knot in a ribbon or shoelaces.
19. Writing made up of points which represent letters.

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## DOWN

1. Military wind instrument used for signals.
2. Mild or dull without interesting features.
3. To crash or destroy.
4. A place where beer is made.
5. Another name for a bunch of flowers.
6. A young child or infant.
7. You were ... on your birthday.
8. A company where people work.
9. This sort of car was made to crash into.
10. The opposite of good.
11. There are a lot of these in a fizzy drink.
12. Going in reverse is also known as going
13. Square of clay used to build houses.
14. One thousand times a million.


## ACROSS

1. Something that is familiar or usual.
2. A small job, usually done around the house.
3. A unit of temperature.
4. The bean used to make chocolate.
5. A young boy or girl.
6. A hue.
7. A light and narrow boat moved by paddles.
8. A sheet which shows the dates and months.
9. Any human that eats another human.
10. A body that moves through space.
11. A round container made of metal.
12. Care in regard to danger.
13. A system of symbols used to communicate.

## DOWN

1. A ring or disc.
2. Fancy dress is also called this.
3. A spiral usually found in hair.
4. Transparent.
5. A three-dimensional square.
6. The middle of an area.
7. A long piece of wax with a wick.
8. A person guilty of a crime.
9. Small bits of coloured paper, thrown at weddings.
10. A shiny metal used on cars.
11. To weep or shed tears.

## Thematic: Space



## ACROSS

1. Known as the red planet.
2. A person who studies science.
3. To do with the sun.
4. An object that goes round another.
5. From somewhere else.
6. A space traveller.
7. A huge star system.
8. American space exploration body.
9. A group of stars as they are seen from Earth.
10. To do with the moon.
11. A minor planet.
12. The path round that might be taken by an object.
13. Band of light in the night sky.
14. A force of attraction.
15. A planet like Mickey's dog.


DOWN
2. An automated machine.
3. Earth is one of these.
5. A Russian space traveller.
6. Fiction based on science.
10. A way of measuring space distance.
11. The centre of our solar system.
13. Clothing for space.
14. A pioneer of the telescope.
17. First man on the moon.
18. Everything in space.
19. A hole in space.
20. A point of light at night.
22. Vehicle used in space travel.
25. To link two spacecraft together.
26. Space traveller with a tail.
28. Where you are.

## Solutions to Puzules

| Puzzle Number 1 - A Words |  |
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| ACROSS |  |
| 1. APT |  |
| 5. ACORN | 4. ATTEND |
| 7. ASLEEP | 6. ADVISE |
| 11. ABSEIL | 9. ASS |
| 13. ALMANAC | 12. AVIARY |
| 17. ANGLE | 15. APERTURE |
| 2. ABSENCE | 18. ACADEMIC |
| 22. ABLE | 21. ALIEN |
| DOWN |  |
| 1. AXE | 2. AND |
| 3. ANGEL | 4. ABACUS |
| 5. ABBEY | 7. AMIDST |
| 8. ARENA | 9. ALARM |
| 10. AID | 11. ABLAZE |
| 12. ANGER | 14. AILMENT |
| 15. ALLERGIC | 16. ABANDON |
| 17. ACCESS | 18. AEROBIC |
| 19. ACCOUNT | 21. APE |


| Puzzle Number 2 - B Words |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| ACROSS |  |
| 1. BIKE | 2. BACON |
| 4. BREATHE | 5. BURGLAR |
| 6. BARE | 8. BIRTHDAY |
| 9. BOX | 10. BAKERY |
| 12. BRINE | 13. BLIZZARD |
| 14. BLOOD | 15. BENCH |
| 17. BARREL | 18. BOW |
| 19. BRAILLE | 20. BOLD |
| DOWN |  |
| 1. BUGLE | 2. BLAND |
| 3. BREAK | 4. BREWERY |
| 5. BOUQUET | 6. BABY |
| 7. BORN | 8. BUSINESS |
| 10. BUMPER | 11. BAD |
| 12. BUBBLE | 13. BACKWARD |
| 16. BRICK | 17. BILLION |
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| Puzzle Number 3-c Words |  |
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| ACROSS |  |
| 1. COMMON | 2. CHORE |
| 3. CELSIUS | 4. CACAO |
| 8. CHILD | 9. COLOUR |
| 10. CANOE | 12. CALENDAR |
| 13. CANNIBAL | 14. COMET |
| 15. CAN | 16. CAUTION |
| 17. CODE |  |
| DOWN |  |
| 1. CIRCLE | 3. COSTUME |
| 5. CURL | 6. CLEAR |
| 7. CUBE | 8. CENTRE |
| 11. CANDLE | 12. CRIMINAL |
| 13. CONFETTI CHROME |  |
| 15. CRY |  |


| Puzzle Number 4-D Words |  | Pur le Number 5 - E Words |  | Puzzle Number 6 - F Words |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ACROSS |  | CROSS |  | ACROSS |  |
| 2. DRAFT | 3. DECADE | 1. ERROR | 2. | 2. FAMILY | 3. FAME |
| 5. DOZEN | 7. DOUB | 4. EVENT |  | 4. FLORA | 5. FORGET |
| 8. DREAD | 10. DIS AS | 7. EXHAUST |  | 6. FANFARE | 8. FILM |
| 11. DEW | 12. DAY | 11. ECLIPSE | ERGY | 9. FOREST | 11. FOG |
| 13. DEAF | 14. DOUGANT | 14. ELECTRIC | IITE | 13. FEBRUARY | 14. FOWL |
| 15. DRUG | 16. DIAMOND | 18. ENGLISH | EROW | 15. FLUTE | 16. FOSSIL |
| 17. DETOUR | 18. DO | 21. EAR | . ENGINE | 17. FRIED | 18. FADE |
| DOWN <br> 1. DAZE | 2. DANCE | 24. ENVY DOWN |  | $T$ | 2. FLOWER |
| 4. DELETE | 5. DIRTY | 1 | 2. EXTINCT | TAL | 4. FOAMY |
| 6. DUSTY | 7. DRAGON | 3. EXERCSE | 5. EDEN | FEATHER | 8. FEW |
| 8. DWARF | 9. DISRUPT | 6. EA | 9. EAGLE | 9. FROZEN | 10. FAIL |
| 10. DOLPHIN | 11. DAM | 10. EMPTY | 13. ESCAPE | 2. FACTORY | 13. FORGERY |
| 13. DAWN | 14. DISGUISE | 15. ECHIDNA | 17. ELF | 14. FABLE | 15. FRONT |
| 15. DESK | 17. DOG | 18. ELASTIC <br> 22. EGG | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 19. EBON } \\ & \text { 23 FA } \end{aligned}$ | 17. FLARE |  |


| Puzzle Number 7-G Words |  |
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| ACROSS |  |
| 1. GOLF | 3. GARLIC |
| 4. GECKO | 6. GUM |
| 7. GROOVE | 8. GONG |
| 10. GNOME | 11. GRAFFITI |
| 13. GORILLA | 14. GOAT |
| 15. GLITTER | 16. GREASE |
| DOWN |  |
| 1. GAME | 2. GLOVE |
| 3. GONDOLA | 4. GAP |
| 5. GHOST | 6. GUEST |
| 8. GO | 9. GIRL |
| 10. GIANT | 11. GLACIER |
| 12. GRAVEL | 13. GHERKIN |
| 14. GROWL | 15. GUITAR |
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| Puzzle Number 8 - H Words |  |
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| ACROSS |  |
| 2. HANDLE | 4. HARPOON |
| 5. HAUNT | 6. HOCKEY |
| 7. HANDCUFF | 8. HAWK |
| 1. HOSPITAL | 1. HONEY |
| 1. HOOF | 15. HARBOUR |
| 16. HEAVEN | 17. HUT |
| 18. HOTDOG | 19. HOLY |
| DOWN |  |
| 1. HELP | 2. HUNGER |
| 3. HOLIDAY | 4. HOOP |
| 6. HICCUP | 8HEIGHT |
| 9AMMOCK | 1. HAZELNUT |
| 11. HEART | 12. HORSE |
| 13. HONEST | 15. HISTORY |
| 17. HEN |  |
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| Puzzle Number $9-$ I Words |  |  |
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| ACROSS |  |  |
| 1. IT | 2. INDIAN |  |
| 4. IRON | 5. INSECT |  |
| 6. IMAGE | 8. INJURE |  |
| 9. IRIIH | 10. ILL |  |
| 11. INDUSTRY | 12. IDOL |  |
| 13. ITEM | 14. INSPECT |  |
| 16. IGNORE |  |  |
| DOWN |  |  |
| 1. INDEX | 3. INCOME |  |
| 5. IN | 6. IVORY |  |
| 7. IILAND | 8. INFANT |  |
| 10. IVY | 11. ILEGAL |  |
| 13. ITCH | 14. INSANE |  |
| 15. INVITE |  |  |
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