

# Devine Word Puzzles

## for lovers of words, wisdom and facts

Try the following puzzles and I think you will find them different from what's available today and perhaps a little bit more challenging – challenging enough, I hope, for you to take the plunge and buy The Quozzle Book.

The book has five different types of puzzle, Quozzle, Deft Definition, Red Herrings, Boxing Match and Triple Treat – with a total of 75. Full instructions for each one follow, with the exception of Red Herrings, which you will see is self explanatory. First though, a brief description of each one with a link to try one or two yourself.

Quozzle is constructed around a quote from a famous person.

Deft Definition? is also constructed around a quote, but more of a one-liner.

Red Herrings are words rarely seen or heard – you choose the correct meaning.

Boxing Match contains 12 six-letter words, broken up into three-letter groups.

Triple Treat is a crossword with three clues.

### QUOZZLE – a three-part puzzle, based on **Words, Wisdom and Fact**.

The Words are the answers to the clues, the same as in a normal crossword, the difference being that each letter of the answer has an identifying number and row. Using that number, transfer each letter into the Wisdom grid, as shown in the SAMPLE below. The numbers in the Wisdom grid are in numerical order. Warning: The words are separated by black squares EXCEPT at the end of a line, so the word may end on one line or continue on to the next. The apostrophe is the only punctuation included in the Wisdom grid. The Fact, in the shaded column, could be the author of the quote or something relevant to the quote.

#### WORDS

A	10 C	14 L	22 O	4 S	13 E				
B	31 O	5 T	30 H	24 E	6 R	29 W	1 I	8 S	25 E
C	12	28	2	3	11				
D	39	7	17	47	32	45			
E	18	36	20	41	40	21			
F	43	23	15	9	16	34	44		
G	19	38	54	42	33	51	50		
H	53	46	27	48	37	26	35	52	49

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**FACT** : Shaded column above.

An occupation

Nearby

Else

Press, radio

Castrated man

Animal

Moment in time

Clumsy

Sentimental recollection

#### WISDOM

1B I		2C	3C	4A S	5B T	6B R	7D	8B S
9F		10A C	11C	12C	13A E	14A L	15F	
16F	17D	18E		19G	20E	21E	22A O	23F
24B E		25B E	26H	27H	28C		29B W	30B H
31B O		32D	33G	34F		35H	36E	
37H		38G	39D	40E	41E		42G	43F
44F	45D	46H	47D	48H		49H		50G
51G	52H	53H	54G					

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# QUOZZLE

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## WORDS

A	32	13	1	5	47				
B	3	31	19	20	18	7	58	4	23
C	26	22	43	45	29	33			
D	12	30	56	9	41	42	8		
E	87	11	61	6	35				
F	38	52	77	14	16	44			
G	21	2	28	64	60	39	54		
H	57	27	34	15	24	17	40		
I	53	46	48	66	59				
J	71	65	55	63					
K	37	62	67	68	81	72	50	80	
L	73	86	85	10	74				
M	69	82	25	36	51	75	88		
N	78	49	70	79	76	84	83		

- Not written on
- Exactly alike
- LXXX
- What's left over
- Sailing craft
- A try, attempt
- Nationality
- Strenuous
- Used for chewing
- Thought
- Practice
- Inefficient
- Pretend
- Infectious disease

## WISDOM

1A		2G	3B	4B	5A	6E		7B	8D	
9D		10L	11E	12D	13A	14F	15H	16F		17H
18B	19B	20B	21G	22C	23B		24H	25M	26C	27H
28G	29C	30D	31B		32A	33C		34H	35E	36M
37K	38F	39G	40H	41D	42D	43C		44F	45C	46I
47A	48I	49N	50K		51M	52F		53I	54G	55J
56D	57H	58B	59I	60G	61E	62K		63J	64G	65J
66I	67K	68K		69M	70N	71J	72K	73L	74L	75M
76N	77F		78N	79N	80K		81K	82M	83N	84N
85L	86L	87E	88M							

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**FACT** - Shaded column above  
Surname (6) and occupation (8) of the person quoted.

**DEFT DEFINITION?** \_\_\_\_\_ is just that – a small quote that aptly defines the subject. Place the answers in the column NOT the row. The shaded letters are then moved down, in the same order, to the column in the grid below. A bullet • denotes the end of a word. With each subject, add "is" – so, in this example, PUNCTUALITY is...

Usually, the letters fall in to the lower grid in the correct order and the quote is read with ease. Sometimes though, it is not possible to find a word that fits, which means a little juggling. In this SAMPLE you will see that the order in column 3 should be EFD, but there is no 4-letter word fitting that order.

**DEFT DEFINITION?**

(Sample)

1. Water bird
2. Small opening
3. Boldly resist
4. Smoke outlet
5. Hope for
6. Repose
7. Small pipe
8. Untie

PUNCTUALITY is \_\_\_\_\_

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		D					
		E					
		F					
		Y					

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
T	H	D	V	I	R	T	U
E	O	E	T	H	E	B	O
R	E	F					

**DEFT DEFINITION?**

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

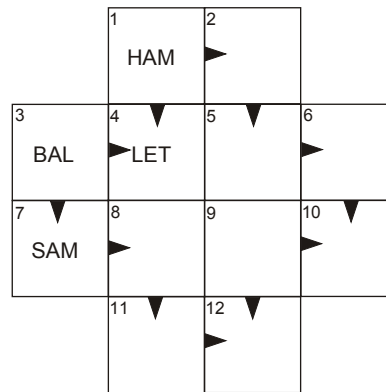
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

CHILDHOOD

1. Dreadful
2. Bush
3. Poke fun at
4. Very fast
5. Theme
6. Respected  
professional
7. Transmits
8. In the open

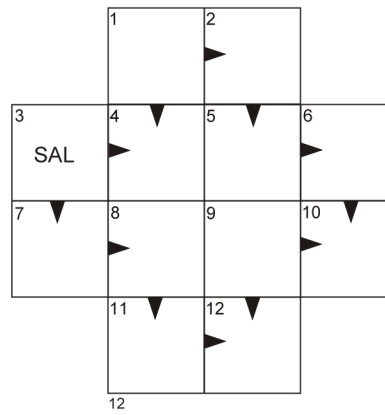
**BOXING MATCH** — This puzzle contains 12 six-letter words, broken up into three-letter groups. Follow the arrows to see the direction each answer takes and place it in the correct box. You are given a start with each one, but a head start with this SAMPLE.

PER	SAM	TLE	HAM	TRY	SON
LET	ING	PAN	CAS	NET	BAL



# BOXING MATCH 1

OTE	VIA	ICE	TRI	ENT	MON
SAL	TON	GOL	SIL	DEN	DEV



**TRIPLE TREAT** — a crossword with three clues. For example, which word can be linked with beach, volley and gown. The answer is ball – beach ball, volley ball, ball gown, and, as you can see the clue can be attached to the beginning or end of the phrase.

**SAMPLE**

1	B	2	U	T	T	E	3	R	F	4	L	Y
5				6			7					
			8									
		9								10		
11							12					
13												

**ACROSS**

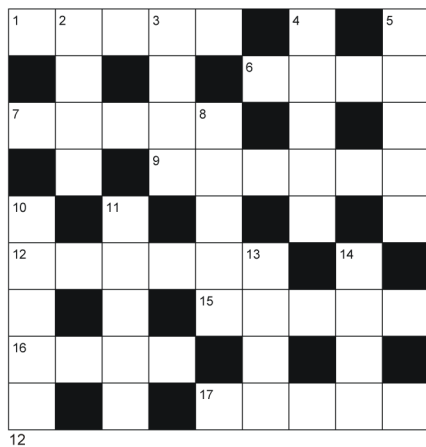
1. Clip, stroke, nut (9)
5. Drive, brake, hard (4)
7. Right, line, step (4)
8. District, tennis, room (5)
11. Crop, flow, ready (4)
12. Break, number, money (4)
13. Odd, seeker, burning (9)

**DOWN**

2. Price, home, trust (4)
3. Bank, judgement, public (7)
4. Killer, pink, like (4)
6. Horse, evening, line (7)
9. Wing, shoe, curtain (4)
10. In, tolerance, hour (4)

# TRIPLE TREAT

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## ACROSS

- 1.Game, room, chip (5)
- 6.Blue, micro, heater (4)
- 7.Setting, my, solution (5)
- 9.Australian, sign, coin (6)
- 12.Photo, line, off (6)
- 15.Worm, mother, red (5)
- 16.Out, break, score (4)
- 17.Juice, seed, shot (5)

## DOWN

- 2.Take, on, against (4)
- 3.Well, law, aloud (4)
- 4.Out, fish, egg (5)
- 5.Worlds, drift, from (5)
- 8.Leaf, end, hang (5)
- 10.Resistance, prayers, final (5)
- 11.Ground, down, growth (5)
- 13.Shirt, raising, cut (4)
- 14.Two, false, dance (4)

# SOLUTIONS

## QUOZZLE

### SAMPLE

WORDS : A. Close. B. Otherwise. C. Media. D. Eunuch.  
E. Donkey. F. Instant. G. Awkward. H. Nostalgia.

WISDOM : I distrust camels and anyone else who can go a week without a drink.

FACT : Comedian. Quote by Joe E. Lewis, an American comedian, singer.

### No. 1

WORDS : A. Blank. B. Identical. C. Eighty. D. Remains.  
E. Canoe. F. Effort. G. Spanish. H. Arduous. I. Teeth.

J. Idea. K. Rehearse. L. Inept. M. Suppose. N. Typhoid.

WISDOM : A piano is a parlour utensil operated by depressing the keys of the machine and the spirits of the audience.

FACT : Bierce, satirist. Ambrose Bierce was a US journalist and writer.

## TRIPLE TREAT

### SAMPLE

#### ACROSS :

1. Butterfly. 5. Disc. 7. Side. 8. Court.  
11. Cash. 12. Even. 13. Sensation.

#### DOWN :

2. Unit. 3. Reserve. 4. Lady. 6. Clothes.  
9. Lace. 10. Zero.

### No. 1

#### ACROSS :

1. Board. 6. Chip. 7. Legal. 9. Dollar. 12. Finish.  
15. Earth. 16. Even. 17. Grape.

#### DOWN :

2. Odds. 3. Read. 4. Shell. 5. Apart. 8. Loose.  
10. Offer. 11. Under. 13. Hair. 14. Step.

## DEFT DEFINITION

### SAMPLE

PUNCTUALITY : The virtue of the bored. (Evelyn Waugh)

1. Tern. 2. Hole. 3. Defy. 4. Vent. 5. Wish. 6. Rest.  
7. Tube. 8. Undo.

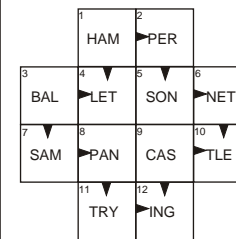
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CHILDHOOD : A series of happy delusions. (Rev. Sidney Smith)

1. Awful. 2. Shrub. 3. Tease. 4. Rapid. 5. Topic. 6. Doyen.  
7. Sends.

## BOXING MATCH

### SAMPLE



### No. 1

