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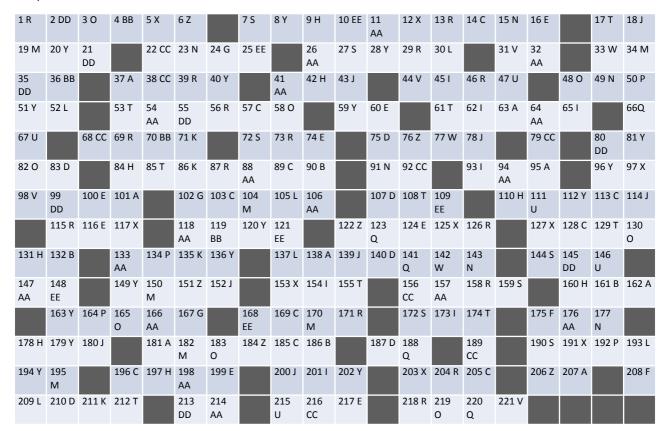


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DOUBLE ACROSTIC X MINUS TWO

(In Looking Glass Land, things go in reverse. The next acrostic will be X minus three.)

You will need to print the acrostic in order to solve it. When the diagram is filled in, it will contain a quotation from a published work. Numbered squares in the diagram correspond to the numbered blanks to be filled in with the answers to the clues. The first letters of each answer, when read downwards, will spell the name of the author and the title of the work from which the quotation comes. The letter following the number in each square indicates the clue whose answer includes the letter to be entered in that square. Nearly all the clues have something to do with children's literature. You do not need to know more than about 8 (some say 6) answers to begin. As skeletons of words begin to form in the diagram and some initial letters of author and title are in place, work back and forth. Soon the parts of the puzzle will solve one another. Answers will be posted on the site on April 2nd, 1998.



A. "They certainly had a very soporific effect upon the Flopsy Bunnies"

<u>101</u> <u>138</u> <u>207</u> <u>63</u> <u>162</u> <u>181</u> <u>37</u> <u>95</u>

B. Zeralda's cooking won her this unusual husband

<u>161</u> <u>90</u> <u>186</u> <u>132</u>

C. The ... changed its steady diet from dolls to jum-jills (2 wds)

<u>196</u> <u>185</u> <u>103</u> <u>169</u> <u>205</u> <u>113</u> <u>128</u> <u>14</u> <u>89</u> <u>57</u>

D. Chair for Midas or Thrushbeard



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E. A cigar-smoking Herdman

124 199 60 16 217 74 100

F. "When I was two I was nearly ..."

 $\overline{116}$ $\overline{175}$ $\overline{208}$

G. The Fossil sisters' Great-Uncle Matthew

167 102 24

H. The doll who came alive belonged to Jyd ...

<u>178 197 110 84 9 131 42 160</u>

I. De Angeli's ... was a rebellious Quaker girl in Philadelphia

201 62 173 45 154 93

J. Havnor, Gont, Enlad and Roke are place names in the archipelago of ...

43 139 78 200 114 152 180 18

K. Might the being of clue BB say this if making toast?

71 211 135 86

L. Velvet Brown's horse (2 wds)

193 137 30 52 209 105

M. Tolly's great-grandmother, Mrs. ..., lived in a wonderful old house with friendly guests

182 170 104 19 195 34 150

N. Babar's enemies, led by Rataxes (abbrev.)

<u>177 49 91 15 23 143</u>

O. Beverly Cleary's hometown

130 219 3 58 165 183 82

P. Found growing with peas, beans and barley in a children's song

<u>134</u> <u>50</u> <u>1 92</u> <u>164</u>

Q. Potter's amphibian angler, or an English children's book critic

<u>188</u> <u>66</u> <u>48</u> <u>123</u> <u>141</u> <u>220</u>

R. Canadian author whose grandmother gambled (3 wds)

<u>218 1 171 115 46 126 69 56 39 87 13 204 158 29 73</u>

S. Sticky stuff from Dr. Seuss

<u>172 27 144 159 7 72 190</u>

T. Lane and Scieszka's was stinky (2 wds)

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61 108 174 53 212 129 17 85 155

U. Titty Mouse and ... Mouse

67 111 146 215 47

V. Barnyard sound that is the title of an Arthur Geisert book

44 31 98 221

W. Colourful exuberant contemporary illustrator of Noah's Ark and The Christmas Story, Jane ...

142 77 33

X. Kit and Kat are the ... (2 wds)

<u>117</u> <u>97</u> <u>12</u> <u>153</u> <u>65</u> <u>127</u> <u>203</u> <u>191</u> <u>125</u> <u>5</u>

Y. Where Ida went to rescue her baby sister from the goblins (3 wds)

81 163 96 40 28 136 194 149 8 202 112 59 179 120 51 20

Z. Lisa Palfy's twin

<u>151</u> <u>184</u> <u>122</u> <u>6</u> <u>206</u> <u>76</u>

AA. Marchette Chute's story of a 14th century runaway, "The... (2 wds)

94 214 54 198 64 157 166 118 147 176 11 32 41 106 88 26 133

BB. Norse god of thunder

70 119 4 36

CC. The capital city of Calormen

<u>156</u> <u>79</u> <u>22</u> <u>216</u> <u>68</u> <u>189</u> <u>38</u> <u>92</u>

DD. Descriptor for the Dong's nose

2 35 80 213 99 55 145 21

EE. "Good morning, Pooh Bear, if it is a good morning, which I doubt", said ...

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