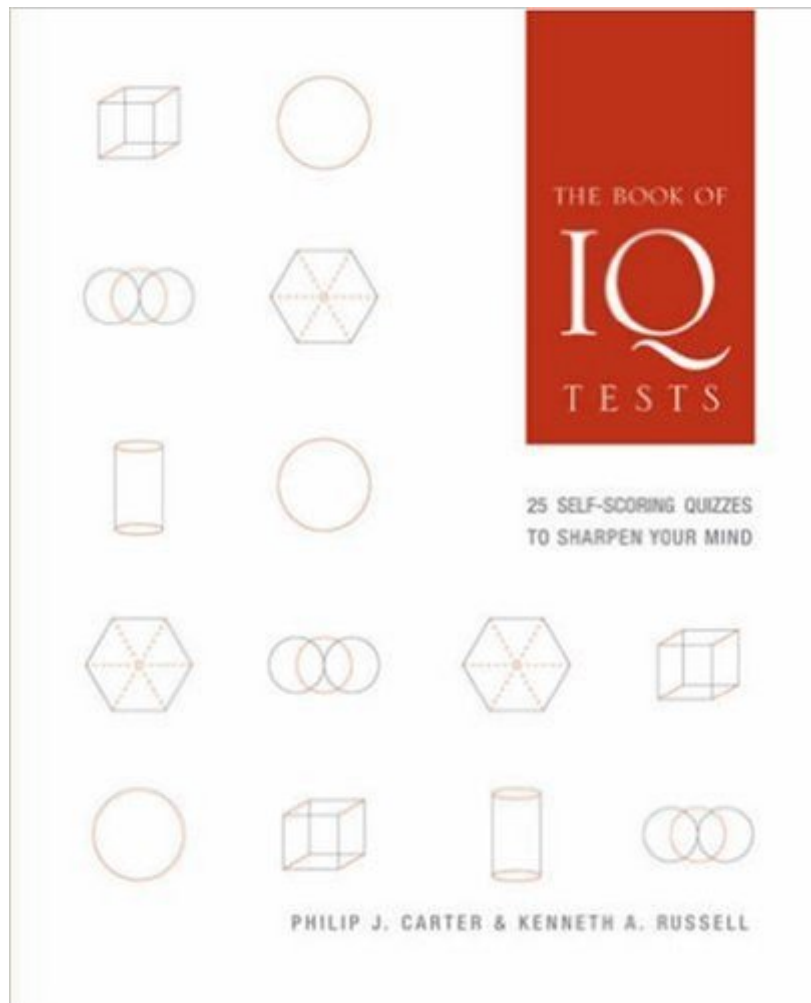


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# The Book Of IQ Tests: 25 Self-Scoring Quizzes To Sharpen Your Mind



## Synopsis

Maybe you think you're a genius, but these 25 brain-stumping IQ quizzes will put that to the test! Featuring wordplay, diagrams, numerical challenges, and more, they provide an intriguing and irresistible challenge. Can you think abstractly? Comprehend complex ideas? Decide which number comes next in a sequence? See which drawing is the odd one out? The best way to know is to take the quizzes and see how you score: exceptional, excellent, very good, good, or average. Above all, these are designed to entertain, and you can add to the fun by turning it into a competition with your friends, trying to beat the clock, or simply dipping into the book at random whenever the mood hits.

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## Customer Reviews

As other reviews have mentioned, the puzzles in this book are certainly challenging and also provide readers with plenty of entertainment. What the book lacks, however, is proper editing. Several of the puzzles contain errors that mislead and may make the puzzle impossible to solve. [Test item spoilers] For example, test item #30 on page 29 asks the reader to replace a question mark with the answer. There is no question mark and instead, one of the sample items is repeated. Test item #21 on page 50 has an E that is supposed to be closer to the beginning of the second word, but instead is closer to the end of the first word. I had to look at the answers in order to make sense of the puzzles. The tests are enjoyable, but I stand by a solid 3-star rating. I acknowledge that finding 2 errors (so far) out of 1,000 test items isn't quite bad, but it does take

away from the challenge of trying to solve each puzzle.

Questions are challenging but not always straightforward. In test 3 alone, there were no fewer than five questions where another answer than the one given in the answer key was also correct! As other reviewers have mentioned, there are numerous typos. I cannot recommend this book. UPDATE: After working through part of test 5, I have now lowered my review from two stars to one. Here are specific examples: Test 3, q. 11 - 3628 is the only number that doesn't repeat a digit; Test 3, q. 20 - all squares have either a single X outside the cross or multiple Xs inside; therefore, B should be the correct answer; Test 3, q. 11 - another arrangement is possible; swap positions of 1 & 4, 2 & 5; Test 3, q. 26 - A is the only one where the cone itself doesn't have a black dot; Test 3, q. 39 - quarter hour / hour hand; Test 5, q. 7 - 8 is the only number not divisible by 3; Test 5, q. 12 - 7 is NOT two places away from itself minus 1; I'm not going to continue wasting my time on a book with this many errors. Steer clear and save your money!

I was very disappointed with these tests. Far too many of these questions to test your "intelligence" are in fact trivia that can be heavily influenced by the culture you live in. For instance, did you know that "Teton" is a word for a tribe of Lakota Sioux that appears in all major English language dictionaries and has US cities, counties and a National Park named after it? If your life experiences exposed you to this word, that's great! But you may get question 3 of test 1 wrong because while "TONET" can be unscrambled into the English word "TETON", it isn't the correct answer. How many different words for the colors between blue and purple do you know? I quickly recognized that this was what one of the questions was asking, but I wasn't able to come up with the correct word for bluish-purple (or was it purplish-blue?). Do you know what the mathematical symbol for "identical with" is? No amount of abstract thinking is going to help you figure out what the symbol for a mathematical operator is. If you haven't learned what it is, you'll have to hope you recognize and can eliminate the others. Do you know what the acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the Earth is in imperial units? Even if you could quickly integrate acceleration with respect to time in your head - twice - to derive the distance formula for an accelerating body, unless you also happen to be an experimental physicist in your spare time, you're probably going to need to have been exposed to this value for acceleration to get the answer. The only good part about this book is that it was inexpensive. I purchased it because I enjoy doing these with my kids. Unfortunately since they have not yet learned that the Etruscans were an ancient Italian civilization, I guess their "intelligence" is just too limited.

Good tests - some of the hardest i've come across in some cases, but part of the challenge was actually reading the numbers/letters or analyzing the various patterns. The print in this book is far too small considering the complexity of some of the puzzles. But otherwise, a good compilation of questions organized in balanced and complete tests.

This book is an excellent book of brain teasers but it is also very discouraging at the same time. It does not teach you anything about the strategies that people can use to improve their IQs. Most of the questions will be very difficult for beginners. However, you can still look up the answers in the back and incorporate that logic into your test taking. For me this was the most effective way to use the book. I suggest you look elsewhere if you want a book that lays out concrete strategies for improving your IQ.

Philip Carter scores again with another of his mind-boggling, brainteasing books. Anyone who wants to sharpen his mind or help others develop their mental skills will want a copy. It offers a broad variety of brainteasers for everyone. And they're fun!

I got this book to add to my graduation party stuff. Seemed like a fun thing to do with the graduates at an open house setting. The book is filled with fun quizzes that the kids can take and compare results on. Who is the genius in the bunch???

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