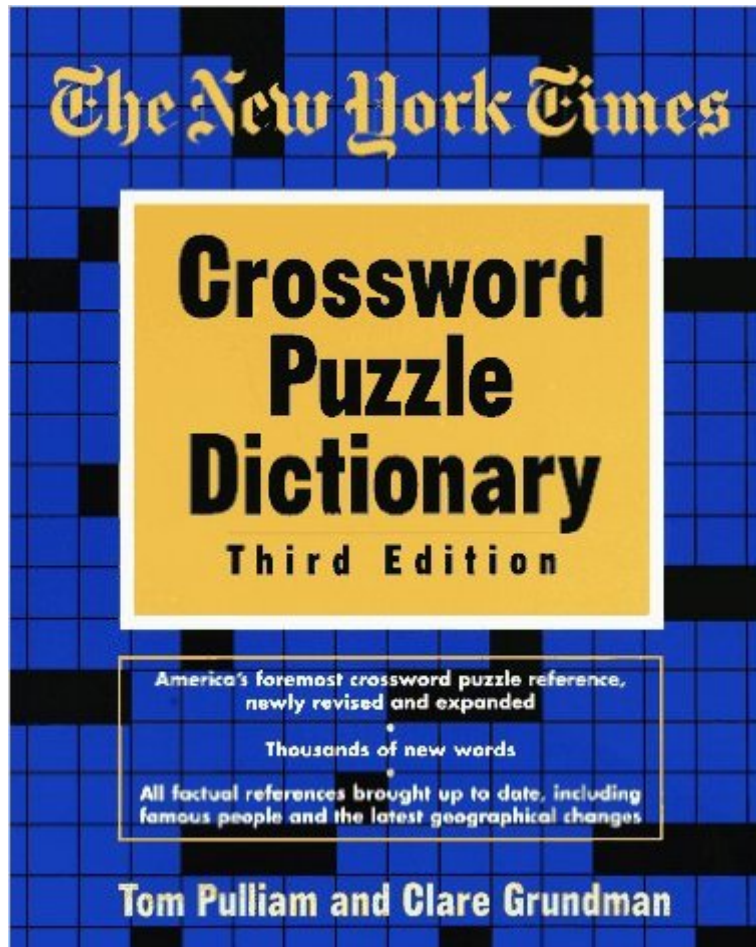


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When my A-Z Crossword Dictionary fell apart from overuse, I was anxious to try the NYTimes Dictionary. I wish I had ordered another copy of the A-Z instead. In the A-Z, I was able to find more answers, and the foreign word sections were much better than in the Times. Also, the Times Dictionary lists foreign countries in dark gray boxes which make the text very hard to read. Love the NY Times crosswords, but the Dictionary needs work!

Disappointed. I am a devoted NYT Sunday puzzle doer. I have done about 4 weeks worth of puzzles since I aquired the book. Of the 50 or so words/terms/places, etc. I have looked up, I found probably 5. This is NOT the crossword puzzle dictionary I remember from years ago, which was tailored to actual multi-word clues, and did not just provide "synonyms" for single word entries.

I too have used the excellent Third Edition until it fell into disrepair and had to be replaced, but it was published in 1995, a decade ago. The current Times Crossword Editor, Will Shortz, says the puzzle has changed significantly. It's high time the dictionary be revised and updated too! When will we get a Fourth Edition?

This is one of the best dictionaries I have found. It gives the best answers in any category there is. Is there a fourth edition?

I found this book physically difficult to use. It was a chubby small paged paperback as opposed to earlier editions of the same whose pages were much larger, and the books easier to use. Also, it was not as topical as I had expected...i.e. upgrades of state descriptions adding state mottos...addition of Roman numerals...addition of more common current slang...etc. I was NOT happy with my purchase. I feel the authors could have done a much better job.

OK! I admit that I have lied in the past about my ability to 'work' the NY Times puzzle. This dictionary put me in the realm of actually being able to 'work' the puzzles. Easy to use, even for a novice like me and has given me a 'plethora' of info.

I have used this book, for probably 15 years....I had the First Edition, which I used until it fell apart. Then, I got the Second Edition and it is time to replace that book, also, as not only has it fallen apart (almost in the exact same place as the First Edition) but it got water damaged. It is indispensable BUT I had the oversized paper back! Even though the price was twice as much as the paper back you advertise, it was well worth the money. Sometimes, I wish they would have figured out how to make it more durable.

This is an excellent reference book if you are a crossword puzzle addict such as I am. I have purchased 4 of these, 2 for me and 2 for my Mom. We keep wearing them out. I have tried the other popular dictionaries, but I keep coming back to this one.

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