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## The Million Word Crossword Dictionary, 2nd Edition



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Acclaimed puzzle creator, editor, and publisher Stanley Newman is crossword editor for Newsday, with puzzles syndicated worldwide. He holds the world record for the fastest completion of a New York Times crossword.Daniel Stark creates the daily crosswords for United Feature Syndicate. His puzzles also appear in many national publications.

I bought this dictionary in May of 2014 and by August it started completely falling apart!! The binding glue didn't hold and the pages towards the center of the book are falling out. It's obvious in the attached pictures that the book's spine is damaged. As a former print shop owner, this book is too thick to be bound paperback-style. Also, there are many, many, many times the book is of no help whatsoever in assisting in the completion of crossword puzzles. We've even looked up obvious things that are found in other crossword dictionaries and they're not in this one. So there are at least a half million words that are useless and another half million that are missing in this book.

Disappointed with the construction quality of the book. Comparing it to THE MILLION WORD etc., by Newman and Stark believe First Edition in white cover: This cover is a thin paper. Old edition had a harder paper cover and was laminated. WOULD HAVE PREFERRED PAYING A HIGHER PRICE FOR A BOOK OF THE SAME QUALITY, as it is obvious this product will be handled extensively. A page of the new book cannot compare to a page of the old book, TODAY after many years of wear. I have personally laminated the covers to give it some body and have added a jacket for the book, but as the pages are folded and bent as one works with the new edition it will not hold up. The life of this new product will be only a fraction of that of the older edition. Sorry to be writing a negative critique about what was a unique American product.

I recently purchased this crossword dictionary for my husband - who completes @ least one crossword puzzle (usually more) every day of his life. It's a serious puzzle if he even needs to consult a crossword dictionary - and this one rises to the occasion. I purchased this exact edition a few years ago, but Mr. Man wore it out, so I bought him a new one. He's tried other crossword dictionaries, but they pale in comparison and are not used. This is the high standard!

My husband is a crossword puzzle fanatic. He practically wore out the first copy I bought and it fell apart. I bought him a new one. It is one of the better crossword dictionaries around but I really wish the vendor would improve upon the cover. Perhaps make it a hard bound one instead of a paper back one. The pages fall apart after some use.

Has a lot of words. Is smallish print since there are so many words covered and book is large and thick also. But is what it is advertised to be. Was in great condition for used book and good price with quick shipping. Would order from this seller again.

I've been waiting a long time for this update. When I discovered it had been published, I was delighted. I purchased two copies, one for a gift. The recipient has told me several times how useful it is to her.l've used the dictionary a few times already and loved having recent movies, tv shows, celebrities included. Unfortunately, l've also found names missing, i.e. names of characters in books or movies. However, I know no puzzle dictionary is perfect. In my many years of buying puzzle dictionaries, this one is by far the best. Additionally, I do not find the size of the print a problem. Excellent purchase.

I originally bought this fro my mother in law who has a stack of crossword dictionaries a mile high. She says it is her favorite and after using it while at her house a few times I have to agree. It takes a little getting used to for searching for phrases, proper nouns and so forth, but is more extensive in my opinion than most I have used. None of these are ever $100 \%$ useful but this one is very good imo. It is strongest for post 1990's puzzles. If you are working older collections the topical (eg pop music, movies) material is less useful.

The dictionary is an excellent source of crossword help. A lot of things are cross-referenced so that words/meanings can be found in more than one place. It contains everything from every kind of Oscar winner, scads of foreign country info, first and last name entries, phrases with missing words,
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