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Math Puzzles and Brainteasers

GRADES 6-8

Over 300 Puzzles that Teach Math and Problem-Solving Skills

Number puzzles, cryptograms, logic puzzles, and word games make teaching math and problem-solving skills a snap! Written by master puzzle creator Terry Stickels, *Math Puzzles and Brainteasers* is a collection of over 300 reproducible puzzles that have been especially created for students in grades 6-8. Ranging from easy logic challenges to more difficult math brainteasers, all the book's puzzles are organized into groups that correspond to national math content standards. The range of puzzles incorporates multiple approaches to skill building, including numerical manipulation, spatial/visual exercises, and language arts exercises.

Teachers can use this comprehensive compilation of puzzles as warm-up exercises, questions for team competition, group problem-solving exercises, or just for fun!

PRAISE FOR MATH PUZZLES AND BRAINTEASERS

"Terry Stickels, well known as a master creator of puzzles for adults, has turned his attention to brainteasers for youngsters. His two books for children are superb collections of such problems. Like Goldilocks' third bed, they are neither too hard nor too soft, but just right. And I suspect that many parents will find themselves hooked on solving some of Terry's puzzles, especially his delightful frame problems."

-MARTIN GARDNER, puzzle creator and author

"This is a rich set of diverse mathematical problems that can enrich a math class, stimulate children to play with mathematical ideas, or give gifted children a chance to solve interesting problems that lie beyond the limits of most school mathematical curricula."

—MICHAEL SCHIRO, associate professor, Mathematics Education, Boston College

"I've always found puzzles to be great mental stimulators for kids, and Terry Stickels' varied, entertaining brainteasers are perfect for this purpose."

—WILL SHORTZ, crossword editor, The New York Times

About the Author

TERRY STICKELS is a well-known puzzle creator and the author of many puzzle books, such as *Classic Mind Benders* and *The Little Book of Bathroom Sudoku*. He writes three syndicated columns: *Frame Games* in USA Weekend magazine, *Stickelers*, sydicated by King Features, and *Stickdoku*, a sudoku puzzle in USA Weekend magazine. He is also a frequent presenter for corporate and education clients around the country. Visit his web site at www.terrystickels.com.

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