

PUZZLING

Once again, it's time to play stump the experts (you). For your entertainment and edification, we offer an acrostic. For those (like the editor) who have always ignored such puzzles, directions are printed below.

We couldn't come up with an acrostic whose clues were tied to the mission of The Milken Institute Review. But there is still redeeming educational significance here: The answer to the puzzle is a quotation from the writings of a wise and witty modern economist with a crew cut.

And then there's the matter of pedigree: Steven Postrel, the creator of the puzzle, has a Ph.D. in economics from M.I.T. and teaches at the University of California (Irvine) Graduate School of Management. Steve's labors should be an inspiration to us all – proof that obsessive-compulsive behavior can be its own reward.

O 1	B 2	S 3	A 4		F 5	M 6	O 7	V 8	U 9		W10	E11	H12	Q13	J14	G15	D16	B17	A18	O19		C20	N21	O22
	T23	M24	W25	K26		A27		B28	M29	E30	R31	D32	O33		N34	J35	L36	E37	T38	Q39	J40	H41	M42	
I43	P44	N45	Q46		B47	U48		D49	K50	B51		E52	H53	G54	E55	N56	Q57	J58		C59	B60		N61	Y62
H63		W64	X65	Q66	R67	E68	L69	I70		U71	T72	O73	E74	J75	G76	K77	J78	J79	K80		P81	Y82	R83	D84
H85	P86	V87	I88	N89		F90	D91	C92	W93		I94	E95	N96	R97		L98	M99	D100		E101	X102	R103	T104	G105
F106	X107		C108	A109	F110	K111	B112	U113		E114	J115	F116	G117		I118	H119	S120	R121	K122	B123	U124	T125	J126	X127
T128	X129		E130	E131		F132	D133	H134	R135	N136	I137	D138		G139	T140	Y141	P142	A143	H144	V145	X146	A147		X148
U149	X150		Q151	O152	X153	J154	A155	T156	X157	G158	K159	B160	D161	S162		Y163	C164	M165	K166	U167	V168	N169	Y170	

After answering each clue, copy the letters to the corresponding numbers in the grid, where they will form a quotation. Words begin and end at shaded squares, and so may continue from one row to the next. The first letters of each answer, when spelled in order, give the author and publication of the quotation.

Answers.

A. Leftover

143 109 155 4 27 147 18

B. Attack

47 28 60 51 112 17 123 2 160

C. Wind-scattered

108 92 59 20 164

D. Peel off in flakes

100 138 84 133 161 16 32 49 91

E. Alternative to a pushbutton (2 wds)

30 68 11 55 74 101 131 52 130 114 37 95

F. Muscle contraction

5 90 116 106 132 110

G. Infer; guess

- H. Mileage indicator $\overline{117}$ $\overline{139}$ $\overline{54}$ $\overline{15}$ $\overline{105}$ $\overline{76}$ $\overline{158}$
 $\overline{12}$ $\overline{119}$ $\overline{53}$ $\overline{134}$ $\overline{85}$ $\overline{144}$ $\overline{63}$ $\overline{41}$
- I. Humor; high spirits $\overline{88}$ $\overline{137}$ $\overline{43}$ $\overline{118}$ $\overline{94}$ $\overline{70}$
- J. Perpendicular $\overline{154}$ $\overline{75}$ $\overline{126}$ $\overline{115}$ $\overline{14}$ $\overline{58}$ $\overline{40}$ $\overline{79}$ $\overline{78}$ $\overline{35}$
- K. Pared down $\overline{166}$ $\overline{50}$ $\overline{111}$ $\overline{159}$ $\overline{77}$ $\overline{122}$ $\overline{26}$ $\overline{80}$
- L. Macho cat $\overline{98}$ $\overline{36}$ $\overline{69}$
- M. Water pipe $\overline{6}$ $\overline{165}$ $\overline{29}$ $\overline{42}$ $\overline{24}$ $\overline{99}$
- N. Consistent with one's obligations $\overline{45}$ $\overline{61}$ $\overline{21}$ $\overline{56}$ $\overline{34}$ $\overline{96}$ $\overline{136}$ $\overline{169}$ $\overline{89}$
- O. Soup additive $\overline{152}$ $\overline{22}$ $\overline{7}$ $\overline{73}$ $\overline{33}$ $\overline{1}$ $\overline{19}$
- P. Big story $\overline{142}$ $\overline{81}$ $\overline{44}$ $\overline{86}$
- Q. Sift; sort; separate $\overline{46}$ $\overline{151}$ $\overline{13}$ $\overline{57}$ $\overline{66}$ $\overline{39}$
- R. Widespread; uncontained $\overline{83}$ $\overline{103}$ $\overline{31}$ $\overline{135}$ $\overline{121}$ $\overline{67}$ $\overline{97}$
- S. Stare at $\overline{3}$ $\overline{162}$ $\overline{120}$
- T. Whale food $\overline{156}$ $\overline{104}$ $\overline{125}$ $\overline{140}$ $\overline{38}$ $\overline{23}$ $\overline{128}$ $\overline{72}$
- U. Composed $\overline{71}$ $\overline{149}$ $\overline{48}$ $\overline{167}$ $\overline{124}$ $\overline{9}$ $\overline{113}$
- V. Night fliers $\overline{168}$ $\overline{145}$ $\overline{87}$ $\overline{8}$
- W. Onion cousin $\overline{93}$ $\overline{64}$ $\overline{10}$ $\overline{25}$
- X. Crude remark or gesture $\overline{146}$ $\overline{129}$ $\overline{150}$ $\overline{102}$ $\overline{157}$ $\overline{127}$ $\overline{65}$ $\overline{148}$ $\overline{153}$ $\overline{107}$
- Y. Nerve $\overline{141}$ $\overline{62}$ $\overline{82}$ $\overline{170}$ $\overline{163}$