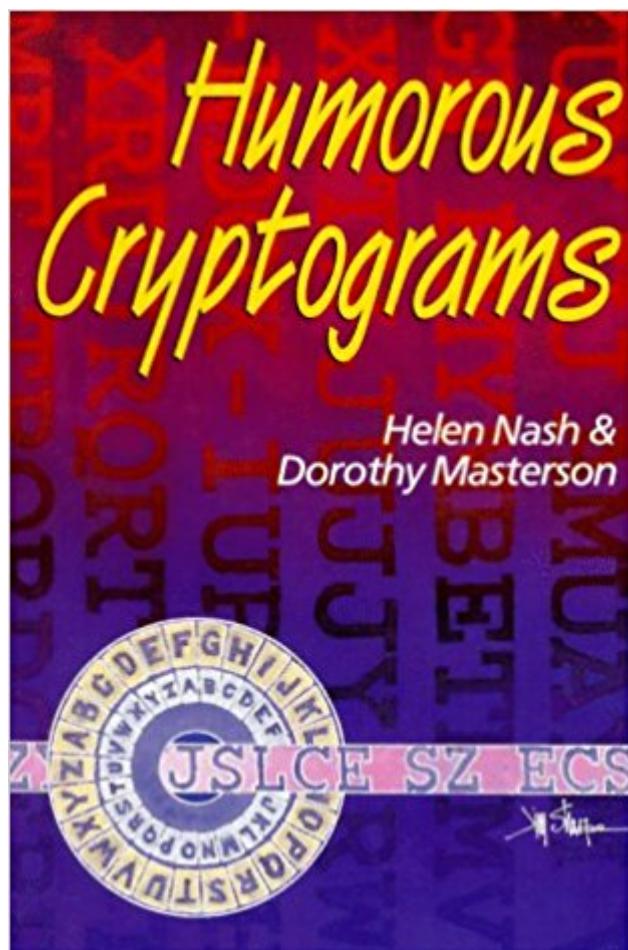


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If you're new to cryptos, as I was, this is a GREAT book. The quoted authors are current (Woody Allen, Jay Leno, Bob Dole, David Letterman) so you don't have to know the poets from 1450 AD to get some clues. The quotes are charming and witty, and it taught me a LOT about how to solve quotes because they were long enough to find patterns. Some books have five word quotes: that's impossible to solve if you're a beginner or intermediate user. The HINT feature is great; if stuck, go to the back of the book and get one letter. That's the foothold you need to solve the puzzle. Overall, the best book I've tried out of about five. I think you'll enjoy it if you're a puzzle person. Some quotes I use myself now.

The font is very small, and there is not enough space between the letters and the lines for you to write in your choices. I did the first 18 puzzles and then threw the book out. I have several other cryptogram books, and I have no problem with any of the others

I bought this cryptogram book for my husband. He previously had a book of cryptograms by Helen Nash that was given to him at Christmas. After finishing the first one, he was looking for another one by the same author. He particularly likes this book because of the humorous sayings that are included, and the size of the book is such that he can take it everywhere when he anticipates a long wait for an appointment - it is the perfect size to carry in his portfolio or even in his jacket pocket.

This is actually a fun little book, but I will never again purchase a puzzle book without a spiral binding. Why in the world do publishers not do this automatically?? Obviously none of them do puzzle books or they would. I like taking my books to places where I have to sit and wait, ie doctor offices, etc., and to have them constantly flip around in your lap when you're trying to write is more annoying than the wait for the doctor, grrr. I would pay more for the spiral binding, if that is the issue. Take note, publishers!!

I like a larger format puzzle book and not on newsprint sort of paper...cryptograms themselves are fun intriguing, glad I have it.V

'Way back when the earth was discovered to be round instead of flat, and I was in elementary school, playing at writing in codes between friends. We made them up ourselves and didn't know there was actually a name for them. They were cryptograms. As an adult I was always delighted to discover the occasional cryptogram in the popular crossword books. Then, one day browsing in 's list of puzzle books, I found this one and bought it. I'm really glad I did! It encodes humorous writings by famous (and sometimes obscure) people. If you like cryptograms, you'll be as delighted as I was with this one. It does offer clues, and if you still can't figure one out, gives you the answers. I use a pencil...and a good eraser! If you insist on doing them with a pen, you may want to print out the pages you're working on.

This is the first Cryptogram book I've ever purchased. It was delightful and when I'm finished with this one I will buy more.

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