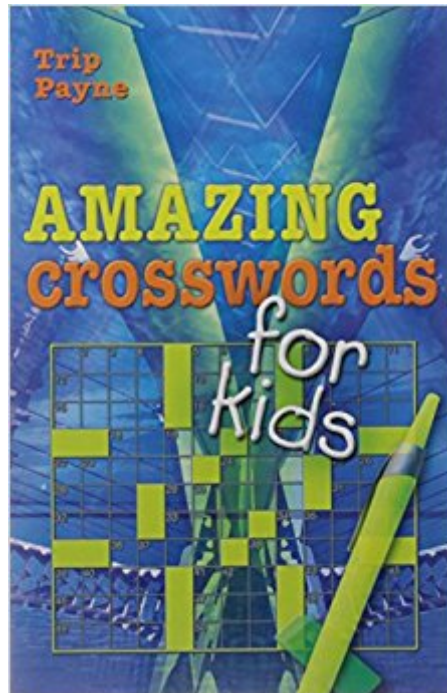




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# Amazing Crosswords For Kids (Mensa)



## Synopsis

Every book in Trip Payne's popular, inexpensive crossword series has become a bestseller. Now, this genius of crossword creation (he had his first puzzles published when he was just in junior high and won the American Crossword Puzzle Tournament a grand three times) is back with a seventh collection. That should make puzzle-loving kids positively ecstatic. The age-appropriate clues include "Aladdin rubbed a magic one," "Famous \_\_\_\_ (brand of cookies)," and "You might use one in a treasure hunt." There's nothing in here that isn't worth knowing, nothing that's obscure or arcane. So, for youngsters it's lots of fun. Happy solving!

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## Customer Reviews

I wasn't sure what kind of book this would be given the range of ages people said enjoyed this book, but being from a crossword loving family I bought it as an introduction to crosswords for my seven year old daughter who has a fairly high reading level. What I did not anticipate was the broad spectrum of knowledge and in particular pop culture you need to know in order to complete the puzzles. Clues included "Barbie's Ex-boyfriend," "Homer Simpson's Exclamation" and "\_\_\_\_\_ Lucy (old TV sitcom): Two words." "Ali", (as in Muhammed Ali), "Cairo," "ecology," and "String Quartet" were among answers in the first few puzzles. One thing we love about this is exactly the broad

spectrum of knowledge it covers because it is a great tool for learning, but I've found my daughter can't really do a complete puzzle on her own yet so either my husband or I have to sit with her to do it or closely check/correct the answers she does put in on her own. While we do enjoy this as a "working together" activity, I would recommend it for kids a bit closer to 10 if you are looking for something they can do more easily on their own.

I purchased this for my six year old son. He hasn't put it down since. It is an excellent introduction to crossword puzzles for children. He does need help at times with some of the clues, but most he can handle. I highly recommend this book.

These are real crosswords with nice, dense grids. My 10-year-old daughter loves this book and has asked for another in the series for xmas.

What a terrific idea for kids who -thanks to these crossword books- have a different kind of fun... without having their face glued to a computer screen all day!

These are too hard for the average 8 to 10 year old to do independently. I don't know WHY the author doesn't make more crossword puzzle books on a slightly easier level--not babyish but just not quite so hard!

This little book is precisely what I was looking for: Most of the clues are things that my 11 year old already knows, but there are still several on each page that she will need to look up. Sneaky Momma way of ensuring she's learning something during the holiday break! The cover is thick enough to not be destroyed in her backpack if she opts to take it to school and the typeface is large enough to read without struggle. Both pages and puzzles are clearly numbered and the solution guide in the back is non-intrusive.

Based on most of the reviews, we thought this and other Tripp Payne's crosswords for kids would be perfect for our 10 yr old 4th grader (who is learning right at grade level), but most of the puzzles are rather challenging (and therefore frustrating) for him. I would say 10 and up, unless your child's a whiz at these. To see a sample page or 2 would have helped us with our choice before ordering. The idea was for him to do them independently and feel like he could complete them independently, but he's asking for help or (which no one wants to do!) cheating w/the answers.

Excellent Crossword!!! This is great not only for children but also for adults who enjoy crosswords but dont enjoy the headache of those super difficult ones. This one makes you think without hurting yoru head. Easy enough for kids but entertaining enough for adults. Love it!!!

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