

**ACROSTIC #14**  
**by Accipiter**

**Instructions:** Solve the cryptic clues, and enter the answers in the blank spaces on the right. Transfer the letters to the corresponding numbered squares in the grid. The grid will reward you with a quotation. The first letters of the clue answers, reading down, reveal the name of the author and title of the work. Merriam Webster's *Collegiate Dictionary*, edition, was used in constructing this puzzle. As always, I am grateful to Claire Trazenfeld for her skill and patience as test solver. For credit, please submit author, title, and second word of the quotation by February 20, 2004.

**CLUES**

**ANSWERS**

**A** Repair the pale novel—Rossetti, e.g.?

35 46 54 64 75 104 119 131 134 184 22 61 81

**B** No pencil, so rub tarnished silverware (2 wds)

14 8 29 82 108 133 190 26 43 73 98 113 129

**C** Top off flirtatious signature

47 106 154 162 179 10

**D** Garment holes will provide something cool

31 44 69 88 91 128 58

**E** Various oxen straining, too eager

20 76 86 114 149 156 103 49 63 117 126

**F** Securing punishment

4 13 27 141 72 56 143

**G** Dummy gets two-thirds of fee back if returns show good year

105 16 21 77 25 137

**H** Views wind indicators, including label

95 153 167 170 175 187 160 130

**I** One curious enigma to ponder

51 67 100 7 55 78 94

**J** Small child—he'd eat hoagies from the beginning until the end (3 wds)

33 59 115 159 168 148 171 68 182 41

**K** Intoxicating stuff like his contained in two hogsheads

62 1 12 74 127 132 174

**L** Sign of power next? Nope, that's wrong

11 121 112 37 85 142 147 138

**M** This dog's mine? Nonsense! (2 wds)

122 155 173 189 146 18 83

**N** Last of those sneering, maniacal drivers

66 150 48 84 165 92 183 176 39

**O** Group of interest: *Les Six*, lacking a form of musical notation?

123 15 169 90 2 191 52 65

<b>P</b> Strip of land is shut off, harboring military leader	<u>164</u> <u>60</u> <u>140</u> <u>36</u> <u>23</u> <u>17</u> <u>70</u>
<b>Q</b> Dakota resident runs rings around neighboring chief	<u>42</u> <u>181</u> <u>89</u>
<b>R</b> Sled bounces around, and bounces . . .	<u>30</u> <u>5</u> <u>50</u> <u>80</u> <u>185</u> <u>102</u> <u>111</u>
<b>S</b> Lousy celebration: dine uncomfortably outside	<u>180</u> <u>6</u> <u>99</u> <u>124</u> <u>116</u> <u>163</u> <u>32</u> <u>151</u>
<b>T</b> Floozy with icy heart, having no boys! (2 wds)	<u>118</u> <u>24</u> <u>93</u> <u>135</u> <u>57</u> <u>186</u> <u>144</u> <u>19</u>
<b>U</b> Nameless hanger-on gives speech in Luzon	<u>158</u> <u>9</u> <u>79</u> <u>28</u> <u>3</u> <u>145</u> <u>157</u>
<b>V</b> Jump in, as is prevalent	<u>34</u> <u>161</u> <u>166</u> <u>178</u> <u>101</u> <u>87</u> <u>107</u>
<b>W</b> Have faith and take veil, ebulliently returning to proclaim it	<u>53</u> <u>120</u> <u>136</u> <u>188</u> <u>172</u> <u>109</u> <u>177</u>
<b>X</b> Put down cow?	<u>97</u> <u>45</u> <u>40</u> <u>110</u> <u>38</u>
<b>Y</b> Those cockamamie beliefs!	<u>96</u> <u>152</u> <u>71</u> <u>139</u> <u>125</u>

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The grid for this puzzle is on page 3.

1 K	2 O	3 U	4 F	5 R	6 S	7 I	8 B	9 U	10 C	11 L	12 K
13 F	14 B	15 O	16 G	17 P	18 M	19 T	20 E	21 G	22 A	23 P	24 T
25 G	26 B	27 F	28 U	29 B	30 R	31 D	32 S	33 J	34 V	35 A	36 P
37 L	38 X	39 N	40 X	41 J	42 Q	43 B	44 D	45 X	46 A	47 C	48 N
49 E	50 R	51 I	52 O	53 W	54 A	55 I	56 F	57 T	58 D	59 J	60 P
61 A	62 K	63 E	64 A	65 O	66 N	67 I	68 J	69 D	70 P	71 Y	72 F
73 B	74 K	75 A	76 E	77 G	78 I	79 U	80 R	81 A	82 B	83 M	84 N
85 L	86 E	87 V	88 D	89 Q	90 O	91D	92 N	93 T	94 I	95 H	96 Y
97 X	98 B	99 S	100 I	101V	102R	103E	104A	105G	106C	107V	108B
109W	110X	111R	112L	113B	114E	115 J	116S	117E	118T	119A	120W
121L	122M	123O	124S	125Y	126E	127K	128D	129B	130H	131A	132K
133B	134A	135T	136W	137G	138L	139Y	140P	141F	142L	143F	144T
145U	146M	147L	148J	149E	150N	151S	152Y	153H	154C	155M	156E
157U	158U	159 J	160H	161V	162C	163S	164P	165N	166V	167H	168 J
169O	170H	171 J	172W	173M	174K	175H	176N	177W	178V	179C	180S
181Q	182 J	183N	184A	185R	186T	187H	188W	189M	190B	191O	