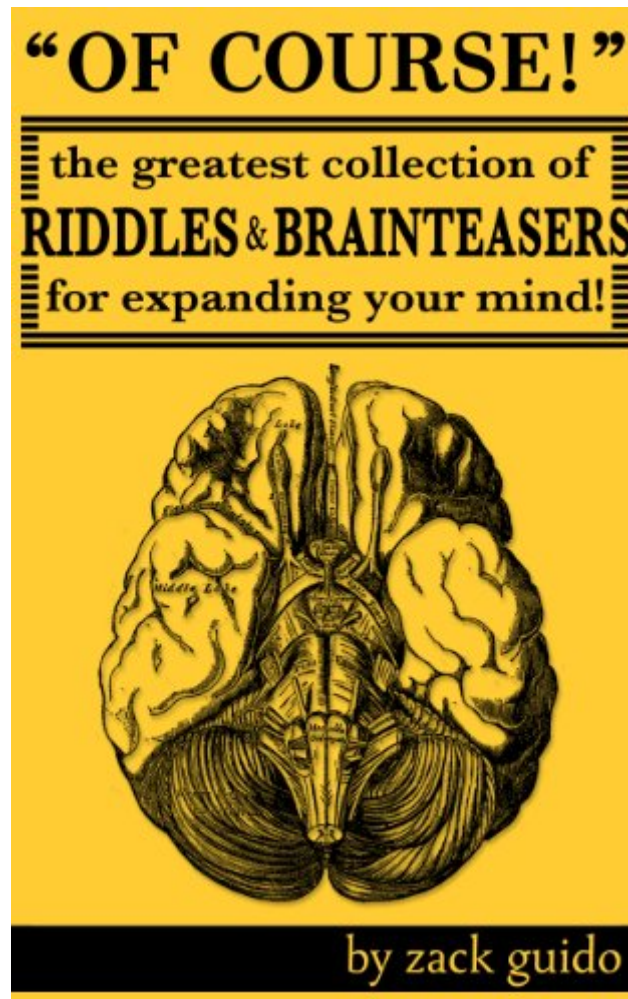


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Of Course! The Greatest Collection Of Riddles & Brain Teasers For Expanding Your Mind



Synopsis

Do you like riddles? Do you like brain teasers? Are you a problem solver? Are you creative? Do you think outside the box? If you can answer yes to any of these questions, this book may be perfect for you. Introducing a collection of the best riddles and brain teasers that has been years in the making. These will challenge the way you think, introduce you to new ways to look at problems, and expand your mind. People who love riddles are familiar with the rush of the "aha!" moment, the "that's it!" moment, that "of course!" moment, the moment of clarity that you get when the lightbulb goes off and you've figured it all out. Those moments are great exercise for your mind and brain and will help to keep you mentally sharp. Even if you are new to riddles and brain teasers this book will be a fun and exciting read, it will help you become a better problem solver and become more comfortable with thinking outside the box. The problems in this book range in difficulty from light & easy to hard to very hard and will provide a challenge for even the sharpest mind. There are discrete reasoning riddles, mathematical reasoning riddles, practical reasoning riddles, and some classical logic riddles as well. There is no word play, the puzzles have definite and satisfying answers, and some of them will blow your mind. In this book you will be figuring out how to cross bridges, how to escape from prison cells, how to steal rope, how to shoot cyborgs, how to transport bananas through the desert, how to figure out the color of a hat you have on, how to turn on lightbulbs, and how to save a ton of prisoners from being executed! Enjoy it! ...and remember, once you peek at the solution you will never be able to unsee it!

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Customer Reviews

This collection was obviously put together with passion and taste for quality riddles. There are no trick questions to these riddles; it is just straightforward problem-solving. True to the book's claim, the one about the 100 prisoners and 2 lightbulbs led me to that "a-ha" moment (after about a full day of trying to figure it out) that comes as a result of intense concentration over an extended period of time. You won't get much real-life work done while immersing yourself in one of these brainteasers; in fact you will be totally distracted from it for the time being, which is part of the beauty of it.

Zack Guido has composed the best book of riddles I've seen. As the other reviewers said, the riddles are not the silly childish ones that barely make you smile nor are they the cheap tricky ones that don't test your reasoning at all. These riddles vary in difficulty from simple enough for most to difficult for everyone. They get more difficult as the book progresses, inviting you to challenge yourself as you begin to flex your mind. I recommend this book for anyone who is new to riddles, has a slight interest in riddles, or even the old pro. I found myself enjoying the author's rewritten versions of old riddles I have heard before. The wording is clear and compelling. A note on the format: the links to the solutions from each riddle is very handy, as the links back from the solutions are. A well crafted piece of work in all aspects.

I ENJOYED wracking my brain, sometimes for days, because I was too stubborn to check out the answer. If you like the torture of a good riddle, and something to take your mind off, well, real life, then I recommend this book. It's one you'll pick up and put down for a very long time, least you want your head to explode.

Of Course The Greatest Collection of Riddles and Brainteasers For Expanding Your Mind by Zack Guido is a challenging book on classic riddles and brainteasers which will cause you to think carefully about fundamental questions of common sense, design and functionality. The questions involve looking at problems logically while "thinking outside the box" at times. One of the author's

best brainteasers is the Redmond Question. The question asks why manhole covers are round. All sorts of solutions can be presented to resolve this question. Here are a few examples. For instance, a manhole cover is round because it covers the hole without having to position the cover in any particular way. A physical scientist might say that the manhole cover is round because that shape tolerates random stresses from the earth. Also, metal expands in summer so that the expansion is more uniform and less exaggerated. An engineering designer would indicate that it's easier to pour hot mold onto a circular shape than a round one. In addition, the load is equally distributed so that individual stress points are handled easily. Another common sense answer is that a round manhole cover can be rolled instead of physically lifted. Of Course The Greatest Collection of Riddles and Brainteasers For Expanding Your Mind by Zack Guido is the perfect conversation piece at a party or gathering of friends. The questions elicit logical and even some illogical arguments in favor of one point of view or another. This book could cause hours of endless debate while sharpening skills to view things spatially instead of just linearly. The presentation is easy to understand and participants will go away with an entertaining and rewarding experience. Credits: First Published on Blogcritics

I think I've always enjoyed solving brainteasers and logic puzzles, and now as I approach seventy years old, I think (and hope) that keeping an active mind will help to ward off senility. In any case, though, the brainteasers in Zack Guido's book are fun and challenging. I got the answers to some of them, but with many of the brainteasers, I had to look up the answers. But even having to read the answers was interesting, although I had a number of "Why didn't I think of that?" moments. The format of the book is ideal for this kind of material. After each brainteaser is a link to the answer, and after the answer is a link to return to the brainteaser. It makes looking up the answers when you're stumped very easy, and you can't accidentally see the answers to other brainteasers. One of the 78 brainteasers, such as #3 "Fox Trotting," involved semantics ("How far can a fox run into the woods?"), but most required pure logic to figure out. In some of the brainteasers, like #6 "Circular Divisions," having a pencil and paper handy will help. The brainteasers don't require higher mathematics to solve, but I've seen one that used basic probability to find the answer. You could probably find most of the brainteasers in the collection online, but having them all together in one book in a format where you don't have to worry about unintentionally seeing the answer is ideal for serious puzzle solvers.

The teasers are good. Some are really intriguing and not to mention informative. However, i

somehow find myself asking for more. That's where the book falls short. Having read several books on this topic, I can safely say that this was an average publication.

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