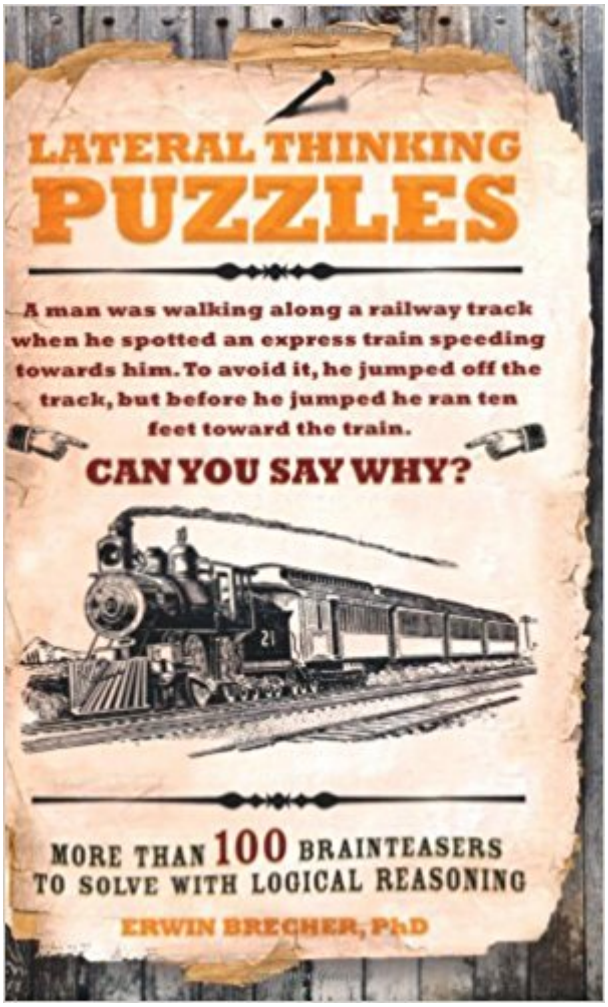
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Synopsis

Including mind boggling brain teasers with surprisingly straight-forward answers, this novel quiz book will leave you begging for more Ã Â The problems in this book describe even more situations which are unusual or even bizarre, and which defy any attempt to find a ready explanation. However, the puzzles are constructed in a manner that will make the circumstances fit one, and only one, reasonable and logical answer. This lends itself to an entertaining and exciting challenge. This fun book really tests your ability to think for yourself, while knowing all of the puzzles have reasonable, well-constructed solutions.

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Customer Reviews

Erwin Brecher has written 22 books including Challenging Science Puzzles and Lateral Logic Puzzles. He is a member of Mensa.

Tougher than i expected. I was hoping to make it a family game but it is mostly just guess work.

The book has 123 stories containing a problem. Most of them can be solved with logical reasoning, although some may have more elegant solutions than those provided at the end of the book. Suitable for a parlour game, where a moderator knows the solution and answers "yes" or "no" to the guesses of the competitors.

Many of the references in this book are to British culture. The ideas are ridiculous and either made up by the author, or they are recycled old riddles. The author writes, "I do not mean to suggest that the situations, once explained, will seem realistic in everyday-world terms..." Well, he's right. You won't solve these, not because you aren't smart enought, but because you won't care after the first one.Example (paraphrased): Why did the sexual product industry experienced an uptick in sales in WWII? Answer: The army bought all of the blow-up dolls and dressed them as paratroopers to throw the Germans off.

Picked this one up at a second hand book sale. Some of the puzzles are quite good, some are recycled oldies (like the town with only two barbers), some are adaptions of real-life events--which is annoying if you're not familiar with them--and some have clearly been made up by the author. The latter group is easy to identify - look for contrived situations and/or awkward stabs at humour. Still, a bit of fun for a quiet evening if you let someone else ask yes/no questions; more entertaining than Solitaire but less than Go Fish.

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