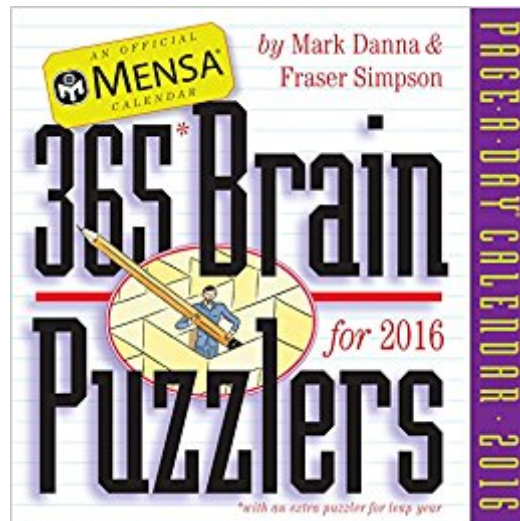




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Mensa 365 Brain Puzzlers Page-A-Day Calendar 2016



Synopsis

Very smart and very successful, 365 Brain Puzzlers jump-starts the brain with a daily Mensa-approved challenge. Engaging, addictive, and guaranteed to give puzzle lovers's neurons a serious workout, here are hundreds of mental conundrums. Elegant logic riddles. Devilishly complex palindromes and anagrams. Word ladders. Magic squares. Plus other numerical stumpers, including this one: Split 93 into two parts so that $\frac{3}{7}$ of one part is $\frac{1}{8}$ of the other part. And, for when your inner brainiac takes a day off, answers are on the reverse side of each page.

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Customer Reviews

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I try to buy this particular calendar very year for my husband as one of his Christmas gifts. He really enjoys this one best of any other brain teaser/puzzle calendar. Every once in a while they are sold out and I've had to try others and he usually is a bit disappointed and continues to rave that the Mensa one is the best!

These puzzlers are the perfect gift for the person who doesn't want to waste a lot of time playing games, but enjoys a great unique puzzle each day. There is a good variety of math, language,

strategy and logic puzzles. Some are quite challenging, and occasionally there is a hint to send you in the right direction. The answers are provided with great explanations of how to approach the puzzles if you really get stuck. I gave 3 of these as gifts and finally bought one for myself!

This is my second time purchasing this calendar. I bought it last year as a Christmas gift for my dad, and had to buy another this year at his request. He is not an easy person to shop for, but absolutely raves about these puzzles. He enjoys crosswords, sudoku, and most any logic puzzle. This calendar provides a great mix of puzzles and problems, which are quick enough to do each day, but still challenging. I would also like to mention that I've purchased many page a day calendars in the past, and that this calendar has an exceptionally strong construction. I am not at all concerned that it will come loose from its backing.

Several of the puzzles are incorrect. There have been several miss prints of puzzles making them have no correct answer and the key on the back shows the correct puzzle. ex: is monday sept 26th puzzle has the blank space in the wrong box

The calendar is great, but it wasn't packed well for shipping. About 3/4 of the calendar pages had separated from the stand, probably during shipping. I think it slid around in the shipping box when it got thrown onto or off of the truck and that's when it broke apart. I taped it back together and it works fine since it just sits on my desk.

Some of them are easy and others I don't even attempt; probably something to do with left brain or right brain or something. But they are interesting to look at each day besides reminding me of the date, or how many days it's been since I remembered to tear off pages anyway.

I had this calendar for 2015 and liked it a lot. Loved doing a puzzle a day at work. It has a good variety but a little heavy on the word puzzles. This year I've noticed at least 3 puzzles that weren't printed correctly. The one today I realized there was no way to solve, looked on the back for the answer and it was a completely different puzzle layout in the grid but with the same numbers on the edge (it was the matchstick type). So the 2016 version wasn't perfect. After the misprints and the fact that it's pretty heavy on word puzzles, I'm not sure I'd buy it again. Edit: It's happened again. One error could be understood, but this is getting ridiculous.

We used to put up a daily riddle at work and it would stay up until it was solved. Some riddles were solved way too easily and others took days. We'd already done the Einstein riddle and many other difficult ones. I was running out of difficult riddles that would challenge us so I turned to this calendar. I saw that it said Mensa on it so I figured it would have some real stumpers in it. Unfortunately that wasn't really the case. There were a few challenging ones that took a little thought but most of them were not. They were not a success at work and people quickly lost interest. It was a bit of a bummer.

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