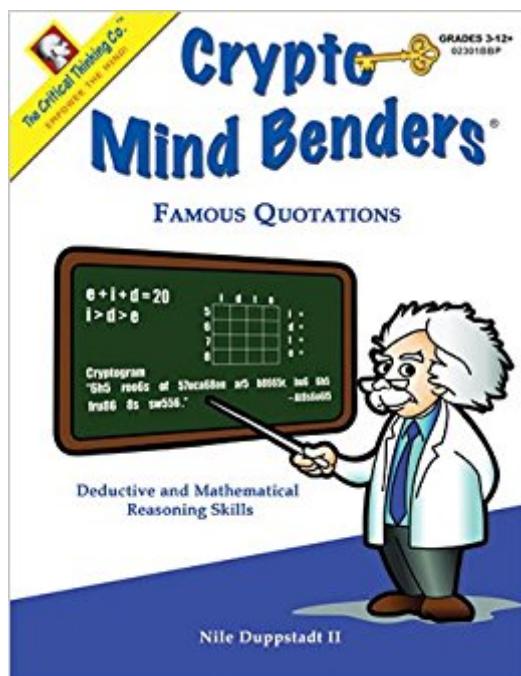


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super good for kids. we r doing it with my son so all of us take turns.

This slender volume is filled with 30 puzzles(And their solutions) which will exercise your children's logic muscle. When Eldest(14) picked up the book as it lay on the table, she commented "Oh! This looks like fun!". Middlest(11) was less excited (That word "mathematical" on the cover did it for him... ;p), until he learned how the puzzles worked~ now HE thinks they are fun as well! This is a wonderful thing, as lately we have been working on getting Middlest to think more logically, and including math in the equation is a bonus from my perspective. Crypto Mind Benders are one activity that I can just lay out, and my kids jump to do them~ I don't even have to ask. :) (And, yes~ I am a "puzzling" mom that enjoys exercising my gray matter as well). Disclaimer: As part of the TOS Homeschool Review Crew I received a free copy for review. All opinions are my own, and I was not required to write a positive review (My kids just like the product! :D).

You can't go wrong with anything by The Critical Thinking Co.! Crypto Mind Benders is geared to students from grades 3-12+, but they are challenging and fun for adults too. To solve these Mind Benders, first you crack the code by figuring out which letters are paired with which numerical values, and then you plug those letters into the puzzle at the bottom of the page to decode the Famous Quote. Being big "secret code" buffs, my kids were totally drawn in to figuring out these Mind Benders and the chance to "play spies" to figure out the code. As for me, I enjoyed trying to stay one step ahead of them!The Critical Thinking Company is very generous, and allows you to make multiple copies for classroom use or for multiple children (or adults!) in your family, so one book will serve your whole family or classroom. We can't wait to check out the Crypto Mind Benders Classic Jokes Edition too!Legal Disclaimer: As a member of the TOS Crew, I received a copy of this book in exchange for my honest review. The opinions expressed above are my own, based on our experiences with this book.

One of the greatest things about the materials put out by Critical Thinking Co. is the wide age range for many of the books. Like, for example, Crypto Mind Benders, which they recommend for grades 3-12. I decided to test that a bit, and I used this book with all four of my boys. They are in grades 9, 7, 5 and 2. (the 2nd grader is ahead in math)Because many (most?) of the Critical Thinking products have generous copyright provisions, allowing me to duplicate it for all the students in my home, I was able to make copies for all four boys. We passed them out and started to work through the sample together.After completing the sample together, my older children can work through this independently. At the lowest end of the targeted range, my 2nd grader is able to work through it if I am sitting with him, throwing out a few well-timed "Does that statement tell you anything else?" or "What else do you know about 5?" comments.I love the fact that my kids have so much fun while learning to think through the implications of each of these statements. And the "secret code" aspect is a bonus, with great quotes included.Disclaimer: As part of the TOS Homeschool Review Crew, I did receive products as mentioned above for the purposes of a review. All opinions are my own.

Each page (which can be copied for use in your family) is a stand-alone mind bender activity. The problems progress from simple in the beginning (mainly ordering numbers based on greater than and less than) all the way to complex equations in the last pages. Children reason through the activity to determine which numbers represent which letters. Graph charts are included for more visual input in that part of the task. Then the letters are plugged into a famous quotation to be deciphered and pondered. (The cover picture closely resembles the activities inside.) This 48 page

student book also includes the answer key. This is just one of many workbooks that our family has enjoyed from The Critical Thinking Co. Disclaimer: As part of the TOS Homeschool Review Crew, we received the aforementioned book for this review. Opinions shared are my own with family input.

While my boys found these a little too hard still, I found them to be a lot of fun. We reviewed this book as part of the TOS crew and since posting that review have enjoyed it more as the boys are beginning to understand the concepts more and more. This book is a fun way to learn greater than / less than concepts as well as play with the whole cryptogram ideas. I would recommend this to a 4th grade or higher student as my 3rd grader had a little bit of a struggle to begin with.

Critical Thinking Company has a slew of workbook and computer activities that help children learn and reinforce deductive reasoning and inference. We were given a copy of Crypto Mind Benders to use and review. It is a very challenging workbook. Intended for children in grades 3-12, Crypto Mind Benders gives students 2 or more mathematical puzzles which, when solved, allow students to solve a cryptogram. Each cryptogram is a famous quotation. Thankfully, the first couple of pages contain a sample activity with complete instructions on how to solve it. The puzzles are fun and challenging.

When I showed this book to my 4th grader, she said this is too hard and tricky...believe me after doing 2 pages she is now mastered! I strongly recommend this book to those who like to take challenges.

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