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Letters From Rifka Word List

No. Word	Clue/Definition
1. ANTWERP	City in Belgium where Rifka stays for treatment
2. ASKIN	Doctor who helps Rifka learn English
3. AVRUM	Helpful uncle
4. AARON	Rifka's baby nephew
5. BABY	Dies from typhus
6. BAKERY	Nathan works in one
7. BALD	Rifka's condition due to ringworm
8. BANANA	Saul is surprised that Rifka knows what it is
9. BERDICHEV	Family's home city in Ukraine
10. BLACK	Color of Rifka's velvet hat
11. BLOND	Rifka's hair color
12. BOWEN	Gives Rifka a pack of paper and helps her learn English: Nurse ____
13. BROWN	Hair color of the rest of the family
14. CANDLESTICKS	They are stolen by Polish guards.
15. CAR	Method of transportation home from hospital
16. CHOCOLATE	Rifka describes it as biting off a corner of heaven.
17. CLEVER	Adjective describing Rifka: smartly resourceful
18. CLOTHING	Mama and Papa work in one: ____ factory
19. COUSIN	Tovah's relationship to Rifka
20. CREAM	Rifka gets it in Antwerp from a man with a cart: ice ____
21. DAVID	Rifka makes one out of straw: Star of ____
22. ELLIS	Island where Rifka must stay in the hospital
23. ENGLISH	Rifka learns this language in the hospital
24. FARGATE	Allows Rifka to enter America: Mr. ____
25. FIVE	Number of brothers Rifka has
26. FLEMISH	Language Rifka learns in Antwerp
27. FOURTEEN	Rifka's older brothers left this many years ago
28. GASTON	Belgian man who takes care of Rifka
29. GIZELLE	One of Rifka's playmates in Antwerp
30. HANNAH	Took piano lessons
31. HAT	Rifka buys one in Antwerp
32. HERRING	Innkeeper's daughter steals it and a roll
33. HIAS	Helps Jewish families with problems
34. HUSBAND	Rifka fears she will never get one
35. ILYA	Russian peasant boy Rifka befriends
36. ISAAC	Rifka's brother who owns a car
37. KATRINA	Sister who treats Rifka's ringworm & gives her chocolate
38. KERCHIEF	Rifka wears one over her bald head
39. LIBERTY	Rifka sees it in New York Harbor: Statue of ____
40. LOCKET	Mama gives it to Rifka: gold ____
41. LOKEH	Rifka's uncle's horse
42. MARIE	Belgian woman who takes care of Rifka
43. MILKMAN	Helps Rifka find her way home in Antwerp
44. MITZVAH	Rifka has one for her birthday
45. MOTZIV	Polish city where family stayed during typhus illness
46. NATHAN	Brother who escapes from Russian army
47. NEBROT	Family's last name
48. ONE	Number of years Rifka was bald
49. ORANGE	Street seller takes all of Rifka's money for one
50. PAPER	Rifka asks Nurse Bowen for it
51. PIETER	Young sailor Rifka meets on the ship

Letters From Rifka Fill In The Blanks 1

- _____ 1. Color of Rifka's velvet hat
- _____ 2. Rifka asks Nurse Bowen for it
- _____ 3. Saul is surprised that Rifka knows what it is
- _____ 4. Rifka's native language
- _____ 5. Rifka fears she will never get one
- _____ 6. Number of years Rifka was bald
- _____ 7. Family's home city in Ukraine
- _____ 8. Rifka speaks it without an accent
- _____ 9. Allows Rifka to enter America: Mr. ____
- _____ 10. Area of Russia where Rifka lived
- _____ 11. Innkeeper's daughter steals it and a roll
- _____ 12. Rifka's older brothers left this many years ago
- _____ 13. Belgian man who takes care of Rifka
- _____ 14. Rifka buys one in Antwerp
- _____ 15. Russian peasant boy Rifka befriends
- _____ 16. Helps Rifka find her way home in Antwerp
- _____ 17. Rifka gets it in Antwerp from a man with a cart: ice ____
- _____ 18. Rifka's brother who owns a car
- _____ 19. They are stolen by Polish guards.
- _____ 20. Chenowitz girl from Berdichev who married Rifka's brother

Letters From Rifka Matching 1

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| ___ 1. ANTWERP | A. Rifka wears one over her bald head |
| ___ 2. SOCIAL | B. Rifka's older brothers left this many years ago |
| ___ 3. SADIE | C. Rifka teaches Ilya to do it |
| ___ 4. FOURTEEN | D. Mama gives it to Rifka: gold ___ |
| ___ 5. ASKIN | E. Nathan works in one |
| ___ 6. HIAS | F. Rifka gets it in Antwerp from a man with a cart: ice ___ |
| ___ 7. CREAM | G. Chenowitz girl from Berdichev who married Rifka's brother |
| ___ 8. BABY | H. One of Rifka's playmates in Antwerp |
| ___ 9. UNCLE | I. Dies from typhus |
| ___ 10. SHAWL | J. Helps Jewish families with problems |
| ___ 11. ISAAC | K. Rifka learns this language in Motziv |
| ___ 12. RINGWORM | L. Papa gives it to Rifka: prayer ___ |
| ___ 13. YIDDISH | M. Rifka asks Nurse Bowen for it |
| ___ 14. READ | N. Ilya's relative in America |
| ___ 15. KERCHIEF | O. City in Belgium where Rifka stays for treatment |
| ___ 16. POLISH | P. Doctor who helps Rifka learn English |
| ___ 17. FIVE | Q. Rifka's uncle's horse |
| ___ 18. LOKEH | R. Belgian man who takes care of Rifka |
| ___ 19. LOCKET | S. Rifka sees it in New York Harbor: Statue of _____ |
| ___ 20. LIBERTY | T. American government fears Rifka will become a ___ responsibility. |
| ___ 21. ZEB | U. Rifka's native language |
| ___ 22. GASTON | V. Rifka's brother who owns a car |
| ___ 23. BAKERY | W. Rifka gets it from a peasant girl |
| ___ 24. GIZELLE | X. Milkman reminded Rifka of this uncle |
| ___ 25. PAPER | Y. Number of brothers Rifka has |

Letters From Rifka Magic Squares 1

Match the definition with the vocabulary word. Put your answers in the magic squares below. When your answers are correct, all columns and rows will add to the same number.

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| A. AARON | E. ORANGE | I. RINGWORM | M. GASTON |
| B. DAVID | F. ONE | J. ASKIN | N. HERRING |
| C. GIZELLE | G. BLOND | K. PIETER | O. YIDDISH |
| D. RUTH | H. LIBERTY | L. TWELVE | P. AVRUM |

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|---|--|
| 1. Rifka sees it in New York Harbor:
Statue of _____ | 9. Rifka's native language |
| 2. Belgian man who takes care of Rifka | 10. Number of years Rifka was bald |
| 3. Rifka makes one out of straw: Star of
_____ | 11. Rifka gets it from a peasant girl |
| 4. Young sailor Rifka meets on the ship | 12. Rifka's grandmother: Bubbe _____ |
| 5. Doctor who helps Rifka learn English | 13. Rifka's baby nephew |
| 6. One of Rifka's playmates in Antwerp | 14. Rifka's age when she leaves Russia |
| 7. Helpful uncle | 15. Rifka's hair color |
| 8. Street seller takes all of Rifka's money
for one | 16. Innkeeper's daughter steals it and a
roll |

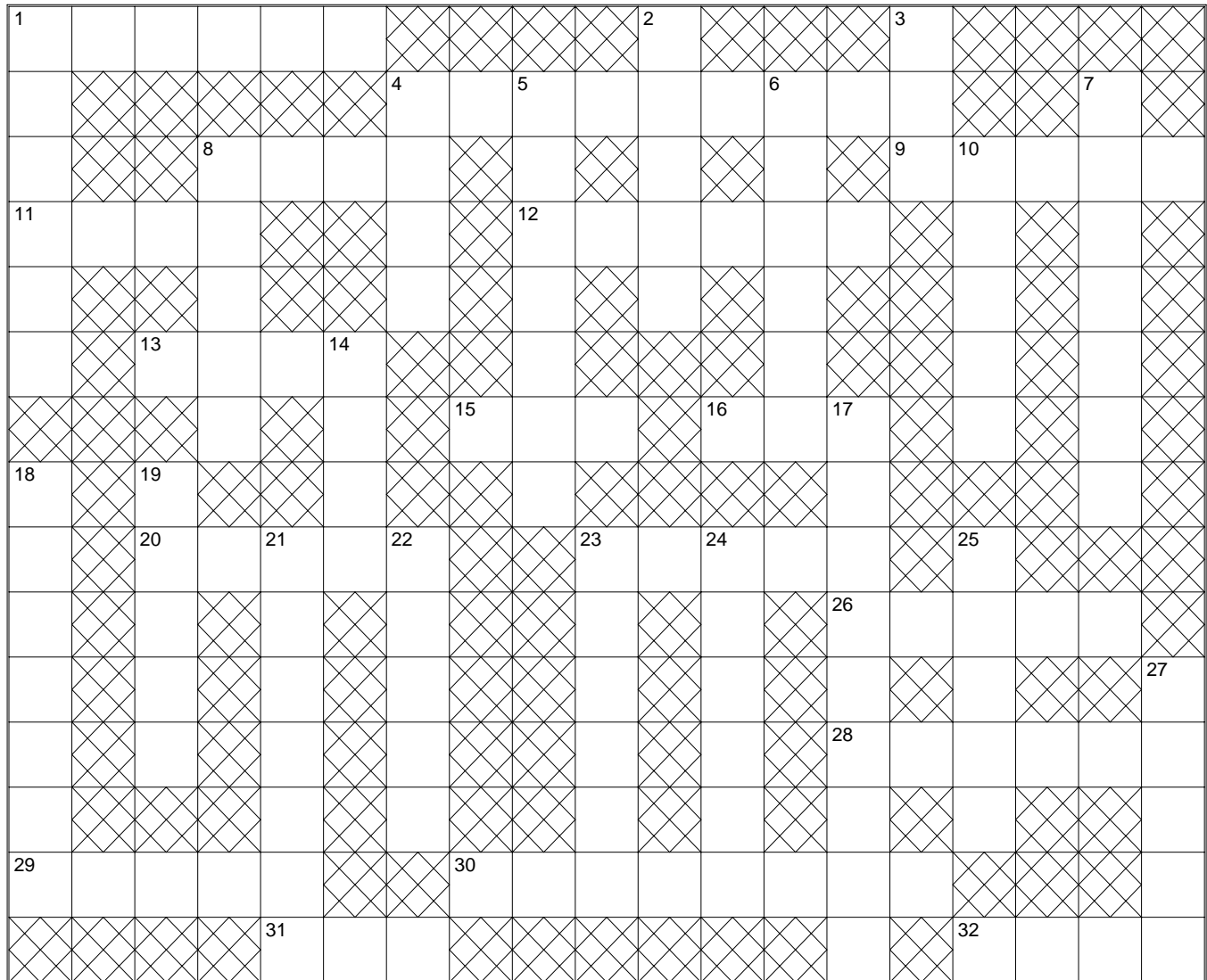
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Letters From Rifka Word Search 1

C	Z	N	A	M	K	L	I	M	A	E	R	C	L	E	V	E	R	C	H
A	T	O	V	A	H	F	E	B	N	O	T	S	A	G	G	I	T	L	J
R	F	P	E	R	Y	V	L	C	L	E	B	L	O	N	D	D	R	O	Q
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C	I	N	E	E	T	R	U	O	F	L	C	R	V	S	N	S	A	H	F
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Z	E	T	G	B	L	E	T	O	A	K	F	I	R	T	W	I	U	N	Y
E	R	R	N	W	L	I	R	L	Y	E	E	A	E	R	E	H	R	G	D
B	T	B	U	P	O	G	S	A	Z	H	A	T	T	E	R	Q	E	I	P
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B	S	C	R	H	A	V	R	U	M	B	R	E	R	U	D	Y	O	L	C
B	A	R	B	A	B	Y	S	G	G	A	U	M	A	K	E	R	L	O	V
W	E	L	C	N	U	S	W	O	M	N	S	S	F	R	B	E	U	I	G
H	K	S	D	N	H	T	D	A	C	D	S	K	E	A	Z	S	Q	S	B
A	N	A	N	A	B	N	Y	Q	C	I	I	P	I	I	I	F	H	A	G
P	H	U	W	H	W	L	W	A	R	S	A	W	G	N	A	T	H	A	N
R	F	L	E	M	I	S	H	Y	G	P	N	L	V	E	O	N	E	C	T

- Adjective describing Rifka: smartly resourceful (6)
- Allows Rifka to enter America: Mr. ____ (7)
- American government fears Rifka will become a ____ responsibility. (6)
- Area of Russia where Rifka lived (7)
- Belgian man who takes care of Rifka (6)
- Belgian woman who takes care of Rifka (5)
- Brother who escapes from Russian army (6)
- Chenowitz girl from Berdichev who married Rifka's brother (5)
- City in Belgium where Rifka stays for treatment (7)
- Color of Rifka's velvet hat (5)
- Dies from typhus (4)
- Doctor who helps Rifka learn English (5)
- Family gets the steamship to America in this city (6)
- Family moves to this American city: New ____ (4)
- Family's last name (6)
- Hair color of the rest of the family (5)
- He is about to be drafted into the army. (4)
- Helpful uncle (5)
- Helps Jewish families with problems (4)
- Helps Rifka find her way home in Antwerp (7)
- Ilya's relative in America (5)
- Innkeeper's daughter steals it and a roll (7)
- Island where Rifka must stay in the hospital (5)
- Language Rifka learns in Antwerp (7)
- Mama and Papa work in one: ____ factory (8)
- Mama gives it to Rifka: gold ____ (6)
- Method of transportation home from hospital (3)
- Milkman reminded Rifka of this uncle (3)
- Mr. Fargate believed this of Ilya (9)
- Number of brothers Rifka has (4)
- Number of years Rifka was bald (3)
- One of Rifka's playmates in Antwerp (7)
- Papa gives it to Rifka: prayer ____ (5)
- Person to whom Rifka writes her letters (5)
- Pieter tells Rifka she is one to her family (8)
- Rifka asks Nurse Bowen for it (5)
- Rifka buys one in Antwerp (3)
- Rifka describes it as biting off a corner of heaven. (9)
- Rifka fears she will never get one (7)
- Rifka gets it from a peasant girl (8)
- Rifka gets it in Antwerp from a man with a cart: ice ____ (5)
- Rifka makes one out of straw: Star of ____ (5)
- Rifka says it instead of scratching her head: Catholic ____ (6)
- Rifka sees it in New York Harbor: Statue of ____ (7)
- Rifka speaks it without an accent (7)
- Rifka teaches Ilya to do it (4)
- Rifka writes her own (5)
- Rifka's age when she leaves Russia (6)
- Rifka's baby nephew (5)
- Rifka's brother who owns a car (5)
- Rifka's condition due to ringworm (4)
- Rifka's grandmother: Bubbe ____ (4)
- Rifka's hair color (5)
- Rifka's older brothers left this many years ago (8)
- Rifka's uncle's horse (5)
- Russian Jewish immigrant girl who comes to America (5)
- Russian peasant boy Rifka befriends (4)
- Saul is surprised that Rifka knows what it is (6)
- Street seller takes all of Rifka's money for one (6)
- Took piano lessons (6)
- Tovah's relationship to Rifka (6)
- Young sailor Rifka meets on the ship (6)

Letters From Rifka Crossword 1



Across

1. Family's last name
4. Mr. Fargate believed this of Ilya
8. Russian peasant boy Rifka befriends
9. Island where Rifka must stay in the hospital
11. Helps Jewish families with problems
12. Mama gives it to Rifka: gold ____
13. Dies from typhus
15. Method of transportation home from hospital
16. Milkman reminded Rifka of this uncle
20. Russian Jewish immigrant girl who comes to America
23. Rifka asks Nurse Bowen for it
26. Rifka makes one out of straw: Star of ____
28. Tovah's relationship to Rifka
29. Rifka writes her own
30. Rifka wears one over her bald head
31. Rifka buys one in Antwerp
32. Number of brothers Rifka has

Down

1. Brother who escapes from Russian army
2. Color of Rifka's velvet hat
3. Number of years Rifka was bald
4. He is about to be drafted into the army.
5. Helps Rifka find her way home in Antwerp
6. Rifka's age when she leaves Russia
7. Rifka's native language
8. Rifka's brother who owns a car
10. Rifka's uncle's horse
14. Family moves to this American city: New ____
17. Family's home city in Ukraine
18. City in Belgium where Rifka stays for treatment
19. Hair color of the rest of the family
21. Language Rifka learns in Antwerp
22. Rifka's baby nephew
23. Young sailor Rifka meets on the ship
24. Rifka learns this language in Motziv
25. Helpful uncle
27. Ilya's relative in America

Letters From Rifka

GIZELLE	MOTZIV	GASTON	ENGLISH	CAR
AVRUM	NATHAN	KATRINA	BROWN	MILKMAN
ELLIS	HIAS	FREE SPACE	HAT	NEBROT
HANNAH	ISAAC	HERRING	RIFKA	TOVAH
COUSIN	CLOTHING	KERCHIEF	SHAWL	BAKERY

Letters From Rifka

CREAM	YORK	READ	ORANGE	CLEVER
BLOND	DAVID	POEMS	TYPHUS	BLACK
LOCKET	TREASURE	FREE SPACE	FARGATE	BALD
RINGWORM	ONE	PRAYER	FIVE	RUSSIAN
BOWEN	LIBERTY	UNCLE	RUTH	ILYA