

# Sudoku

## Introduction

Hi there. Thanks for buying these Sudoku puzzles - I hope that you enjoy completing them as much as I have enjoyed putting them together.

## The Rules

I imagine that most of you will have completed Sudoku puzzles before, but, in case you are new to this, here's how the game works.

The game is played on a  $9 \times 9$  grid containing 81 boxes. This means that every grid is made up of 9 lines, 9 columns and 9 smaller grids (sometimes called mini-grids) of 9 boxes. At the start of a game some of the boxes will have been filled in with numbers from 1 to 9, and the rest will be blank. To complete the game you must fill in the blank

	5		3		6			7
				8	5		2	4
	9	8	4	2		6		3
9		1			3	2		6
	3						1	
5		7	2	6		9		8
4		5		9		3	8	
	1		5	7				2
8			1		4		7	

boxes ensuring that the numbers 1 to 9 appear once, and only once, in each line, column and mini-grid.

That's it ! Doesn't sound too hard, does it?

One thing to note is that Sudoku is not a mathematical puzzle, it is a logical one. Although the numbers 1 to 9 are usually used, you could just as easily use 9 different letters or symbols or colours in the grid.