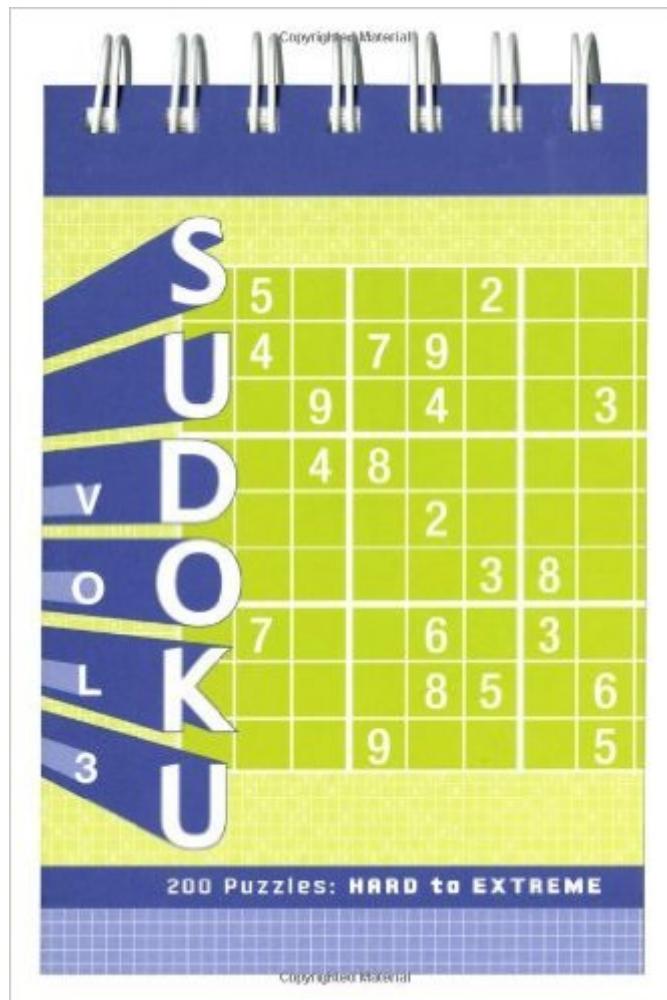


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# Sudoku 3: 200 Puzzles: Hard To Extreme



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Perfect for sharpening concentration and reasoning skills, here are 200 all-new Sudoku puzzles that build in difficulty level from hard to very challenging. A musthave for every on-the-go Sudoku sleuth!

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I really like doing Sudoku to keep mentally sharp. I no longer buy the Sudoku magazines because they are way too easy for me. I do Sudoku, and play Bridge to stimulate my mind. I will be 61 years old next month, and want to keep Alzheimer's and dementia at bay. I can solve a medium Sudoku in about 7 minutes, and a hard Sudoku in 10-13 minutes! I really enjoy the challenge of the extreme, Grand Master, and super grand master levels of difficulty. Some take me 40-50 minutes to solve. Most people are doing Sudoku THE WRONG WAY! They read books on solving Sudoku and think the only way to solve hard Sudoku is to use the full possibility matrix. THE FULL POSSIBILITY MATRIX IS NOT YOUR FRIEND. IN FACT IT CAUSES MORE PROBLEMS THAN IT SOLVES! Why do you think strategies like X Wing, XY wing, star fish, squirm, and about 60 other strategies were invented? Because the possibility matrix PUTS SO MUCH GARBAGE ON THE PUZZLE YOU CANT SEPARATE THE USEFUL INFORMATION FROM THE USELESS TRASH!! I only use three strategies and solve level 6 Sudoku puzzles. I'm not going to argue with success. Try my method. I think you will be surprised.

1. Cross hatching. This is the first Sudoku strategy everyone learns.
2. Streamlined possibility matrix. If you see two places a number can go in a row or column inside one of the boxes use pencil marks. Other than that don't worry if a number can go in 8 different cells. It's not worth your time. If you can avoid the trap of the possibility matrix you will start

seeing pairs and triples that you couldn't see before because there was so much garbage on the page.3. Fill It In. Every once in a while stop and look around at the 9 boxes, rows, and columns.

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