



## THE INDEPENDENT CROSSWORD

**ACROSS**

- 1 Masher
- 5 Takei's "Star Trek" role
- 9 Francis Street or Jetties
- 14 Logical introduction?
- 15 Unit of loudness
- 16 1973 #1 Rolling Stones hit
- 17 First line of a Nantucket quatrain
- 20 Degauss
- 21 Rocky player
- 22 Puts in carpets
- 23 Nantucket may be at the end of one
- 26 Draftworthy
- 28 Second line of a Nantucket quatrain
- 34 Zimbalist's teacher
- 35 Half a dance
- 36 Publicist
- 38 Norm, briefly
- 39 Bayou canoe (Var.)
- 42 It has some ER members
- 43 Couric-Lauer program
- 45 Pallid
- 46 Queue before Q
- 47 Third line of a Nantucket quatrain
- 51 Even \_\_\_ Cafe
- 52 Gotten a load of
- 53 Rehan and Maris

- 56 Mag. wheels
- 58 Stargazer Mitchell
- 62 Fourth line of a Nantucket quatrain
- 66 Computer colors
- 67 Smooth-talking
- 68 Width for Big Foot?
- 69 Takes the money and runs
- 70 Where 10 Down is
- 71 Avis adjective

**DOWN**

- 1 Triple Eight purchase
- 2 Sign of a skunk
- 3 Golfer Lindley
- 4 Atheneum board member Alan
- 5 Lotion letters
- 6 Band on the radio
- 7 Superman's lady
- 8 Do a Roto-Rooter job
- 9 Ling in "Red Corner"
- 10 Diana Kim \_\_\_
- 11 Muslim bigwig
- 12 It has its limits
- 13 Myra at the keyboard
- 18 Space leader
- 19 Boston burb
- 24 Kon-Tiki worshiper
- 25 College-entrance exam
- 27 Genesis figure
- 28 "Boss" Tweed's nemesis
- 29 \_\_\_ bounds

- 30 "I Pagliacci" heroine
- 31 One way to split
- 32 Muscateer?
- 33 Penguin in "Happy Feet"
- 37 Cat chasers
- 39 Memory unit
- 40 "CSI" regular George
- 41 Utter conclusion?
- 44 Invites to dinner, perhaps
- 46 Skipper
- 48 Be affected by
- 49 Its skeleton is on display at the Eden Killer Whale Museum
- 50 Magnum engine
- 53 Number two son
- 54 Retro art style
- 55 Sixties hairstyle
- 57 LaBeouf in "Disturbia"
- 59 Ostrich cousin
- 60 Crossword canal
- 61 Whale-watching, perhaps
- 63 Constitution preamble?
- 64 Certain Ivy Leaguer
- 65 Abbr. for Roget

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## THE INDEPENDENT SUDOKU

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

Sudoku is a Japanese logic puzzle growing in popularity in Britain and the United States. Meaning "single number" in Japanese, a sudoku consists of a 9-by-9 grid with some of the 81 squares filled in with numbers.

Your challenge is to fill in the rest. There's only one simple, but often maddening, rule: The numbers 1 through 9 must appear only once in each of the grid's nine rows, nine columns, and nine 3-by-3 blocks.

Proper sudokus have only one solution, meaning they can always be solved by logic. Don't place a number unless you have determined it is the only number that can go in that square. Trial and error guessing is hard work unless there are only a few squares remaining to solve.

**HISTORY**

Sudoku was designed by Howard Garns, a retired architect and freelance puzzle constructor, and first published in 1979. Although likely inspired by the Latin square invention of Leonhard Euler, Garns added a third dimension (the regional restriction) to the mathematical construct and (unlike Euler) presented the creation as a puzzle, providing a partially-completed grid and requiring the solver to fill in the rest.

The puzzle was first published in New York by the specialist puzzle publisher Dell Magazines in its magazine *Dell Pencil Puzzles and Word Games*, under the title Number Place (which we can only assume Garns named it).

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