



In an effort to stimulate your minds or to remember what you may have forgotten since you've been here, we have provided these little brainbusters for your enjoyment.

# SUDOKU

The aim of the games below is to use the numbers 1 through 9 only once in any line across or down and only once in each of the 3 x 3 squares.

For example; The top left 3 x 3 square in the easy game 1, 8 and 4 are already used leaving 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 to fill the remaining squares.

It is a simple game of logic where the degree of difficulty is determined by the amount of numbers given.

1. Remove my last letter, and you are trying to lift something. Remove my first and last letter, then add a new letter to the end of me, and you have something on the exterior of a house or building. I am a wonderful place to be, although you may have much difficulty locating me on any map. Which one am I?

- utopia
- Shangri-La
- Atlantis
- Xanadu
- heaven
- None of the above.

2. Given the first two complete equations, determine what should replace the ? in the last one:

$$S \times B = S \times S \times L$$

$$F - Y = Q$$

$$M (W + P) = C \times ?$$

C, F, L, M, P or Q

3. FBI agent Coyote Smoulder, who investigates claims of supernatural activity, is doing just that. A bloblike creature is seeping into people's homes through the plumbing, and while posing no direct danger to them, 'Blobby,' as it has come to be known, consumes all of their soda. A mad scientist is believed to be the creator of Blobby, and the only person who knows how to get rid of the pest. When Smoulder and other agents arrive at the scientist's home, it is evident that he has cleared the place out, and likely left the country. All that remains is a note on the wall:

By the time you find this, I'll have crossed over 2 oceans!

Zmw zoo gszg xzm hgik nb xivzgrlm rh lxxvm hzmw!

Coyote, who loves ciphers and codes, quickly cracks this conundrum. After filling a public swimming pool with Blobby's favorite soft drink to use it as bait, they drop a ton of what the mad scientist had mentioned on the thirsty creature, and its reign of terror is ended. What did Coyote and his peers use to stop Blobby?

- a skull and crossed bones
- a broken cross
- faucet water
- decaffeinated soda
- ocean sand
- ocean water

4. Determine what letters should replace the question marks in each of the following three series:

A P A T G C L V L S S ?

W A J M M A J V B H T P ?

M V E M J S U N ?

5. Which of the 6 words below does not belong? Try to find the best answer

- Tight
- Head
- Bear
- Bush
- Alligator
- Flick

Answers are on Page28

## Easy

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

## Not Easy

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

No answers are given as there is only one solution (no guesswork) and you will know if you have it right.