# NUMBER PUZZLES FOR KIDS! 



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We are happy to present our second e - book 'Number Puzzles' created by the students of our grow with math program.

The puzzles are of two categories, simple puzzles and 'KenKen' puzzles. They are graded in terms of difficulty.

We hope you enjoy solving the puzzles as much as our students did in creating them.

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## INSTRUCTIONS TO SOLVE THE PUZZLES

## SIMPLE PUZLES:

1. Fill the grid with numbers $1 \mathbf{- 4}$.
2. Make sure no number is repeated in any row or column.
3. Every row and column should contain all the numbers from 1 to 4.

KENKEN PUZZLES:

How to solve KenKen puzzles?

## SIMPLE PUZZLES

1. 

|  | 3 |  | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 |  |  | 4 |
| 2 | 1 |  |  |
| 1 |  | 3 |  |


| 1 | 2 |  | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 |  |  |  |
| 3 | 4 |  |  |
|  |  | 2 | 3 |

Answer SP 2

|  | 3 |  | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 |  | 2 |  |
| 4 | 2 |  |  |
| 2 |  | 3 |  |

4. 

| 2 | 3 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 |  |  | 1 |
|  | 4 |  | 3 |
| 4 |  | 3 |  |

Answer SP 4
5.

| 1 |  |  | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | 1 |  |  |
|  |  | 1 | 3 |
|  | 4 | 3 |  |

Answer SP 5
6.

| 2 |  | 1 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2 |  | 1 |
| 1 |  | 2 |  |
|  | 1 |  | 2 |

## KENKEN PUZZLES



Answer KenKen 1
2.


5.

Answer KenKen 5
6.

7.

| $7+$ | 6 X | 8 X | $1-$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $10+$ |  |
| 2 X |  |  |  |

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| 3 X |  | $6+$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 12 X | $7+$ | $6+$ |
| 8 X |  |  |  |
|  | $1-$ |  |  |

Answer KenKen 8
9.


Answer KenKen 9
10.

| 1- |  | 1 | $2 \div$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3 |  | 2 |
| 4+ | 24x |  |  |
|  |  | 3 |  |
|  |  | 6x |  |
| 3 |  |  | 1 |
| 3+ |  | 4 |  |
| $2$ |  |  |  |

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## ANSWER KEY - SIMPLE PUZZLES

1. 

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

2. 

| 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 |

Back to SP 2

| 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |

4. 

| 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |

5. 

| 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |

Back to SP 5

| 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 |

## ANSWER KEY - KENKEN PUZZLES

1. 

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |

Back to KenKen 1



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9.

| 11+ |  |  | 2X |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 1- |  |  | 9+ |
| 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
|  | 2X |  |  |
| 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| 1 |  | 12X |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

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## HOW TO SOLVE KENKEN PUZZLES

## Courtesy - http://www.kenkenpuzzle.com/

Your goal is to fill in the whole grid with numbers, making sure no number is repeated in any row or column.


| $5+$ |  | $3+$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 3 | 1 |
| $4+$ | $3+$ |  |
| 3 | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 |

In a $3 \times 3$ puzzle, use the numbers 1-3.


In a $4 \times 4$ puzzle, use the numbers 1-4.
In a $5 \times 5$, use the numbers 1-5, and so on.

## The heavily-outlined areas are called "cages."



This puzzle has 5 cages.

The top left corner of each cage has a "target number" and math operation. The numbers you enter into a cage must combine (in any order) to produce the target number using the math operation noted (+, -, $\times$, or $\div$ ).


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In this cage, the math operation to use is addition, and the numbers must add up to 5 .

Since this cage has 2 squares, the only possibilities are 2 and 3 , in either order ( $2+3$ or $3+2=5$ ).


A cage with one square is a "Freebie"... just fill in the number you're given.

| $5+$ |  | $3+$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4+$ | $3+$ |  |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |

A number cannot be repeated within the same row or column.


## LET'S BEGIN!

1. Enter a 3 in the Freebie square. It's always best to begin with your Freebies.

2. The lower-left cage must be filled in with a 1 and a 3 in order to equal 4 . The 3 must go in the top square since the bottom row already has a 3 in it. That means a 1 must go in the square below the 3 .

3. Each row and column must have a 1, 2 and 3 in it. The bottom row already has a 1 and a 3, so a 2 belongs in the middle square. The same logic can be used for the leftmost column.

4. Enter a 3 in the top middle square so that the 5+ cage at the top totals 5 using addition. Then, enter a 1 in the center square so that the middle column has all 3 numbers, and because $1+2=3$, satisfying the bottom middle cage.

5. You can now put a 1 in the top right square and a 2 below it because they are the only unused digits in their rows...AND because $1+2=3$, satisfying the top right cage. Voilà...you're now ready to play KENKEN!


## START SOLVING NOW

