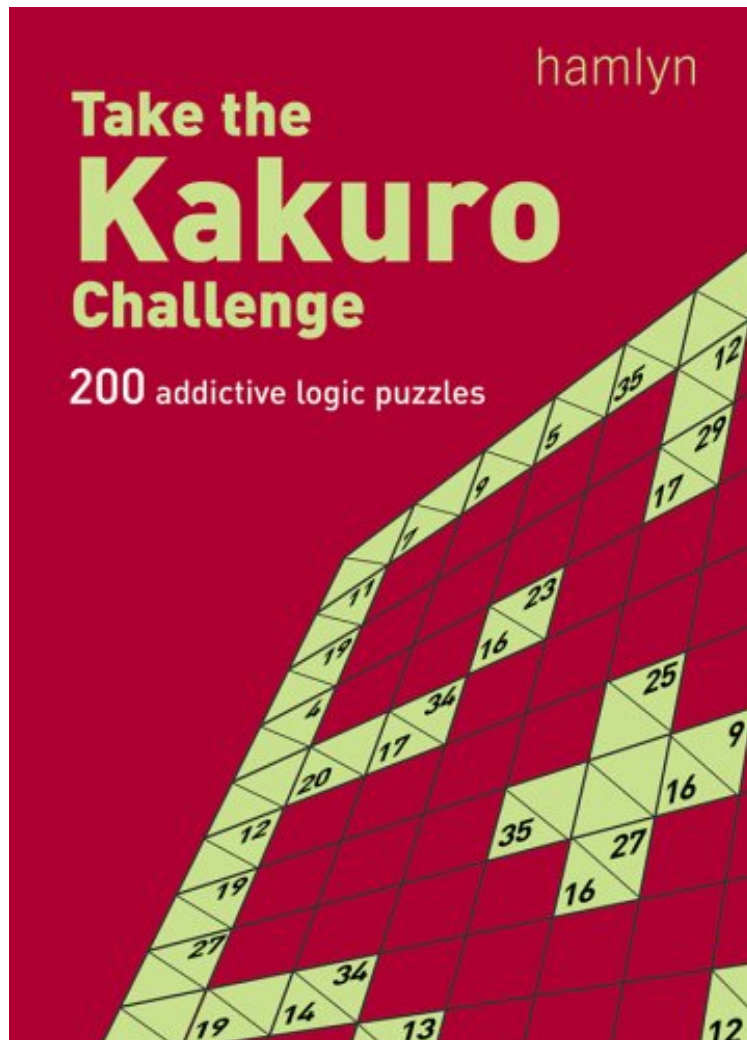


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later date and it is like I never saw it before. Seriously, do you think I remember what number goes in the upper right corner of page 146? 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Challenge Me Again! By JB_Iowa I received this book for Christmas and have thoroughly enjoyed it and wish I had more puzzles left to solve. I remember doing something called "Sum It" in variety puzzle books years ago. They were Kakuros by a different name. I could solve some of them, but some always seemed to defeat me. The nice thing about this book is that you learn solving techniques as you progress through the levels. You start to recognize possible number combinations for the final sum which helps you eliminate other possibilities (e.g. 11 can only be 1+2+3+5). There is a list of the "single solutions" at the front of the book but as you progress, you get a better feel for numbers where there are two or more solutions (e.g. 8 can be 1+2+5 or 1+3+4). A lot of solving a Kakuro is recognizing the solution possibilities for a particular result. The difficulty increases from level to level but within particular levels, the difficulty seems mixed. For example, the first puzzle in the "hard" section was very hard for me yet I solved the final puzzle in the book with no problems. It just depends on what your eyes (and brain) recognize so this is a great way to keep them limber. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great Puzzles, Not New Though By Kimberly A. Rold The puzzles are great and I love doing them. My only issue was that I was expecting this to be a new item, not used. The first puzzle had pencil markings on it, some left on, some erased. So I rate the puzzles as a 5 and the fact that someone already tried to do a puzzle in the book I bought at a 1.

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