

## Word Sudoku

In Sudoku, the goal is to place the numbers 1 through 9 in each row, column, and 3x3 box. Each number appears once in each row, once in each column, and once in each 3x3 box. In Word Sudoku, the goal is to place all the letters of a nine-letter "target word" in each row, column, and 3x3 box. No letter is repeated in any row, column, or 3x3 box. In the row that is shaded gray, the word will be spelled correctly. Can you find the target word in each puzzle below and then fill in all the squares? In each puzzle, every letter of the target word will appear exactly nine times.

Puzzle 1

			T	C		D		O
C	A			D			I	
O	I				U	N		
A	T		O				U	
		U	C		T	I		
	N				E		T	A
		I	E				D	U
	U			N			E	C
D		E		O	A			

Target Word: \_\_\_\_\_

Puzzle 2

		R	T		D		Y	
H	T			A		B		R
A	Y	S			R		T	
S				D			R	T
		B	R	I	T			
		T				D	H	B
R					I	Y		A
	D		S	Y		R		
	S	A		R	H			I

Target Word: \_\_\_\_\_

Puzzle 3

S			E	D	R		V	
	E	I				R		
Y		R		I			E	C
	S				D		Y	
R			O	C	S			E
	C		Y				S	
E	Y			S		D		V
		V				O	I	
	I		C	O	V			Y

Target Word: \_\_\_\_\_

Answers to *THE LIGHTER SIDE*

WORD SUDOKU

Puzzle 3

S	O	C	E	D	R	Y	V	I
V	E	I	S	Y	C	R	O	D
Y	D	R	V	I	O	S	E	C
O	S	E	I	V	D	C	Y	R
R	V	Y	O	C	S	I	D	E
I	C	D	Y	R	E	V	S	O
E	Y	O	R	S	I	D	C	V
C	R	V	D	E	Y	O	I	S
D	I	S	C	O	V	E	R	Y

Target Word: DISCOVERY

Puzzle 2

B	I	R	T	H	D	A	Y	S
H	T	D	Y	A	S	B	I	R
A	Y	S	I	B	R	H	T	D
S	A	Y	H	D	B	I	R	T
D	H	B	R	I	T	S	A	Y
I	R	T	A	S	Y	D	H	B
R	B	H	D	T	I	Y	S	A
T	D	I	S	Y	A	R	B	H
Y	S	A	B	R	H	T	D	I

Target Word: BIRTHDAYS

Puzzle 1

U	E	N	T	C	I	D	A	O
C	A	T	N	D	O	U	I	E
O	I	D	A	E	U	N	C	T
A	T	C	O	I	N	E	U	D
E	D	U	C	A	T	I	O	N
I	N	O	D	U	E	C	T	A
N	O	I	E	T	C	A	D	U
D	U	A	I	N	D	O	E	C
I	N	I	A	T	O	U	E	C

Target Word: EDUCATION