# Pattern Grid-unLocks 

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Object of the Puzzle: Use pattern clues to complete grids.

## Talents Developed:

- Critical thinking and creativity: Willingness to consider and identify multiple solutions, testing them, and revising when necessary.
- Spatial thinking: Ability to solve problems that involve interpreting information about position and form.
- Persistence! Not giving up when the "going gets tough"!


## Components: 50 Grid-unLock Puzzles

Each puzzle contains:

- Grid: 3-by-3 square with 9 cells.
- Clues about location of tiles in the grid.
- 9 pattern tiles: $3 \bigcirc, 3 \nabla$, and $3 \mathbf{X}$.

Clues show portions of the completed grid, as for example a completed diagonal, a row, or a different set of connected cells. For each problem, there will be two, three, or four clues. Some clues overlap on the grid. Clues may not be rotated or flipped. Some missing pieces have to be "deduced" from what is already in place. Grids may be completed using tiles or drawings of the tiles.

Set 1: 16 Warm-up Puzzles
Set 2: 18 Puzzling Puzzles
Set 3: 16 Super Stumper Puzzles

## Solutions are provided at the end of the book.

## Give it a try!



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## Puzzle Pieces

Cut out these nine pieces. Use them to complete the patterns.


## Set 1: Warm-up Puzzles



## Pattern 1

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 2

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 3

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 4

Clues


Grid


Pattern 5


Grid


## Pattern 6

## Clues



Grid


Pattern 7


Grid


## Pattern 8

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 9

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 10

Clues


## Pattern 11

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 12

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 13

Clues


Grid


Pattern 14


Grid


## Pattern 15

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 16

Clues


Grid


## Set 2: Puzzling Puzzles



## Pattern 17

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 18

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 19

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 20

Clues


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Pattern 21
Clues


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Pattern 22
Clues


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## Pattern 23

Clues


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Pattern 24
Clues


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## Pattern 25

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## Pattern 26

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## Pattern 27

Clues


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Pattern 28


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## Pattern 29

Clues


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Pattern 30
Clues


Grid


Pattern 31
Clues


Grid


## Pattern 32

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 33

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 34

Clues


Grid


# Set 3: Super Stumper Puzzles 



## Pattern 35

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 36

Clues


Grid


Pattern 37
Clues


Grid


Pattern 38
Clues


Grid


## Pattern 39

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 40

Clues


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Pattern 41
Clues


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## Pattern 42

Clues


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## Pattern 43

Clues


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## Pattern 44

Clues


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## Pattern 45

Clues


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## Pattern 46

Clues


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## Pattern 47

Clues


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## Pattern 48

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 49

Clues


Grid


## Pattern 50



Grid


## Pattern Grid un-Lock Solutions



## Pattern Grid-unLock Solutions

Pattern 1


Pattern 3


Pattern 5


Pattern 2


Pattern 4



Pattern 7


Pattern 9


Pattern 11


Pattern 8


Pattern 10


## Pattern 12



Pattern 13


Pattern 15


Pattern 17


Pattern 14


Pattern 16


## Pattern 18



Pattern 19


Pattern 21


Pattern 23


Pattern 20


Pattern 22


## Pattern 24



Pattern 25


Pattern 27


Pattern 29


Pattern 26


Pattern 28



Pattern 31


Pattern 33


Pattern 35


Pattern 32


## Pattern 34



## Pattern 36



Pattern 37


Pattern 39


Pattern 41


Pattern 38


Pattern 40



Pattern 43


Pattern 45


Pattern 47


Pattern 44


Pattern 46


## Pattern 48



Pattern 49


Pattern 50



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