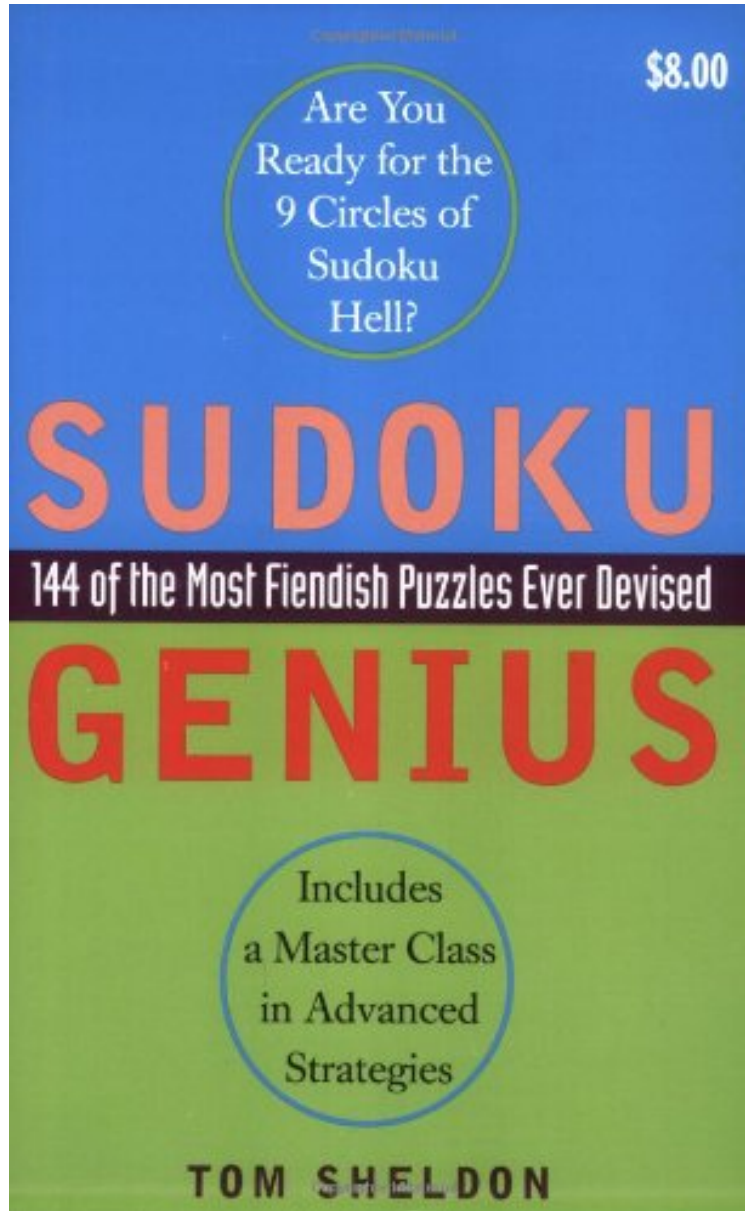


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9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. 30 of the puzzles require guessing!By Liz TudorThe beginning of

this book discusses different techniques to solve puzzles. One that he says is splitting the Sudoku community is trial error or as he calls it Trailing. I call it guessing. After discussing how many people dislike this as they do not consider it solving a puzzle with logic, 20% of his puzzles must be solved by guessing. What a lazy way to write a puzzle. I will never buy another book by Tom Sheldon. I think any book that uses Trailing should announce it on the cover, so those of us who do not like "trailing" know in advance. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. 'Trailing' is for people that don't know the Hamada logic ...By zack'Trailing' is for people that don't know the Hamada logic rule. I'm by far, a long way from being a genius. But seems to me that among these so called genius players that someone would know the Hamada rule. Hamada ends the mystery of guessing. It is as simple as ABCDE. So ignore those that think it's guessing. If you need to guess, you are doing it wrong. A unique solution puzzle will never require guessing or 'trailing' 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Pretty good, but many of the puzzles overrated. By Physiks is Phun. The "advanced technique" section in this book seemed quite superfluous and not useful at all. And the puzzles are very irregular in their difficulty. Many of them I find myself solving in a single sitting with no notes. I'm about a third of the way thru it, and so far there hasn't been a single puzzle I'd actually classify as hard (on my own scale, that is). (The ones that require what he calls "trailing" usually call for some notes at that point.) On the plus side, he does have some puzzles here that present somewhat different logic requirements from ones I've run into elsewhere, and that keeps them interesting.

Welcome to the 9 Circles of Sudoku Hell! From Merciless to Maddening to Murderous, this is a book to challenge even the most seasoned Sudokuist. By the end of this book, you'll be a Sudoku Genius. With 144 puzzles (and solutions) and an advanced strategies master class from puzzle expert Tom Sheldon, Sudoku Genius includes logical strategies such as: The Force (and its variant, the Pincer) Channeling Completing the Square With these strategies in your arsenal, you'll have everything you need to solve these puzzles if you dare to take the Genius challenge.

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