

Sudoku

(Tapescript)

There is a new popular game around.
It's called Sudoku.

Where does it come from?

Well, Sudoku is a Japanese word which means single numbers. Although it's a Japanese word, the game was invented in the USA. The earliest examples appeared in 1979 and then it spread in Japan.

The British newspapers were in fact the first to publish the game. Now you can find the game throughout the world and it's published in newspapers, on the internet and people even play it on their cellphones.

It's very popular because the game is quite simple: it can be played by one person, there is a box that contains spaces and you have to complete the spaces with numbers. But of course the higher levels of the game can be difficult.

However you do not need to be good at mathematics, you simply need to know the numbers from one to nine. So, anyone who can count can play Sudoku.