

This second famous technique is slightly less frequent.

A gap in the clouds, the sun shines through

This one works with three or four missing numbers and is like a ray of sunshine through the clouds, a moment of hope illuminating a grey day.

Follow the steps :

- 1 - Identify the problem
- 2 - Calculate the missing numbers
- 3 - Find the only position possible

1 - IDENTIFY THE PROBLEM
Find a box, row or column with three or four missing numbers.

				8			5
1					9	3	6
2		6			8	7	4
	8		5	9			
	9				6		
		1	2	6	4	9	8
	6			3			9
	4	5					1
8			7				

A GAP IN THE CLOUDS, THE SUN SHINES THROUGH

Why does 3 go here ??

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				8			5
1					9	3	6
2		6			8	7	4
	8		5	9			
	9				6		
		1	2	6	4	9	8
	6			3			9
	4	5					1
8			7				

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2 - CALCULATE THE MISSING NUMBERS

The 9, the 5, the 3 and the 1

				8			5					
1					9	3	6					
2	9	5	3	1	6	9	5	3	1	8	7	4
	8		5	9								
	9				6							
		1	2	6	4	9	8					
	6			3			9					
	4	5					1					
8			7									

3 - FIND THE ONLY POSITION POSSIBLE

Eliminate the numbers already present.
The 1 is in the box, the 9 and 5 are in the column.

				8			5				
1					9	3	6				
2	9	5	3	6	9	1	5	8	7	4	
	8		5	9							
	9				6						
		1	2	6	4	9	8				
	6			3			9				
	4	5					1				
8			7								

