

SAMURAI SUDOKU 5-GRID CHALLENGE

SOLVER TIME & SCORE

Start: ____:____ Stop: ____:____

Difficulty: ☐ Easy ☐ Med ☐ Hard

FIVE INTERLINKED GRIDS

COMPLETE ZONE INTEGRITY

CRUCIAL OVERLAP BOXES

CROSS-GRID CONSTRAINTS

SAMURAI BENCHMARKS

< 25 Min: Samurai Master

25 - 45 Min: Ronin Challenger

> 45 Min: Bushido Student

Dual Verification: 100% Unique

OVERLAP HEURISTICS

Start by solving non-overlapping corners

Pink overlap boxes provide pivot dual entries

Hidden singles in corner grids lock center

X-Wing and Swordfish apply across grids

Always recheck row/column boundaries

SOLVING ORDER ADVICE

Phase 1: Sweep Top-Left and Bottom-Right

Phase 2: Solve Top-Right and Bottom-Left

Phase 3: Attack the central overlapping grid

Phase 4: Re-scan 4 corners with new givens

Zero guessing needed: pure constraint logic

SAMURAI MASTER LOG

Master Name: _____

Tournament Date: _____

Total Minutes: _____

All 5 Grids Solved: [] YES

Samurai Seal: * * * * *

CANDIDATE PENCIL ARITHMETIC CELLS (BLANK SQUARES):