



HOW TO PLAY RETTŌ

THE RULES

- Objective: Use logic to find the hidden word. The word is spelled left-to-right, one letter per column.
- Each ROW contains exactly one solution letter
- Each COLUMN contains exactly one solution letter
- Each SECTION contains exactly one solution letter
- No solution letters are adjacent (horizontally, vertically, or diagonally)

EXAMPLE

● Circle = Selected X = Eliminated

T	L	D	T	W
R	C	G	É	X
Å	F		E	S
L	D	D	T	Ö
W	E	T	T	L

Step 1

Eliminate N —
must be in row's
other section

T	L	D	T	W
R	C	G	É	X
X	X		E	X
L	D	D	T	Ö
W	E	T	T	L

Step 2

Eliminate A, F, &
S — must be in
row's other
section

T	L	D	T	W
R	C	G	É	X
X	X		E	X
L	D	D	T	Ö
W	E	T	T	L

Step 3

Select Ö — only
one letter remains
in section

T	L	D	T	W
R	C	G	É	X
X	X		E	X
X	X		E	Ö
W	E	T	T	L

Step 4

Eliminate all other
cells in row 4 —
only one letter per
a ROW

T	L	D	T	X
R	C	G	É	X
Å	F		E	X
X	X		E	Ö
W	E	T	T	X

Step 5

Eliminate all other
cells in column 5
— only one letter
per a COLUMN

T	L	D	T	X
R	C	G	É	X
Å	F		E	X
X	X		E	Ö
W	E	T	T	X

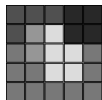
Step 6

Eliminate all other
adjacent cells

WHAT RETTŌ MEANS

The Japanese word "Rettō" (列島) means "archipelago," and literally translates to "islands lined up." This concept reflects the core idea of the puzzle. Each selected letter must remain separate from the others, just as islands are divided by water.

Although the letters do not touch, they come together to form a single meaningful word, showing how individual elements can create a unified whole.



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