

Outflight Entertainment

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Each of these clues are references to Bill Nye Episodes. Use the name of the parody song from each episode to connect the letters on the sides of the crossword like in How Do We Communicate?, and extract based on what letter in the middle of the crossword you intersect.

2013 sci-fi film starring Sandra Bullock → Gravity → G-R-A-V-I-T-Y

Develops or blooms → Flowers → So Many Flowers

Estimate by looking → Eye → Two Eyes

Food label information → Nutrition → Good Food

Recipient of a Southern blessing → Heart → Gimme Back My Heart

Spineless beings → Invertebrates → Crawl Away

What the Scarecrow wants in The Wizard of Oz → Brain → Whatta Brain



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| S | C | A | P | R | A | | A | P | E | S | | M | A | C | E | S | |
| | O | K | R | A | S | | C | E | N | T | | A | L | A | S | | |
| W | W | R | O | N | G | H | E | A | D | E | D | N | E | S | S | W | |
| | L | O | G | | A | I | D | | E | A | R | A | C | H | E | | |
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| N | S | H | I | N | | F | I | R | M | A | M | E | N | T | S | N | |
| | O | A | T | | B | I | N | D | E | R | S | | I | T | S | | |
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Read down the column to get: "Pacific"



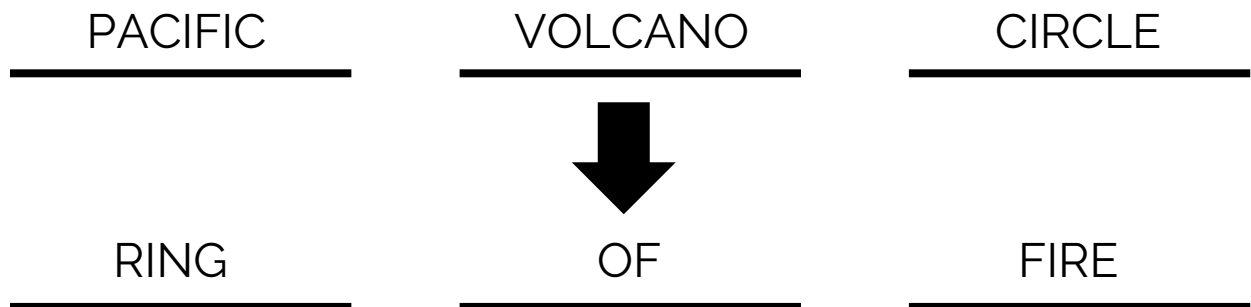
1. Connect the cities in the itinerary (shown in purple)
2. Extract to "Find US Hub Airport Abbvs"
3. Find all US hub airport abbreviations
4. Shape of the abbreviations in the word search make letters
5. Read off letters to get "Volcano"

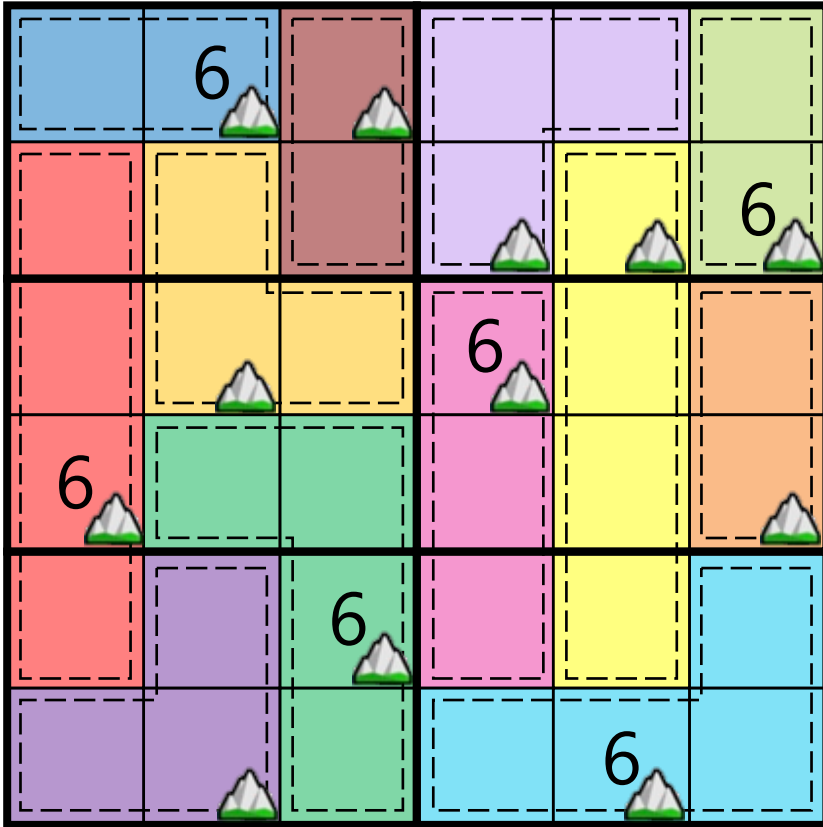
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| 4 | 6 _(E) | 5 | 2 _(B) | 1 | 3 _(M) |
| 1 _(I) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 _(D) | 6 _(F) |
| 3 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 1 |
| 6 | 1 | 4 _(C) | 5 | 3 _(K) | 2 _(H) |
| 5 | 3 | 6 _(G) | 1 | 2 _(N) | 4 |
| 2 | 4 _(L) | 1 _(A) | 3 | 6 | 5 _(J) |

- A+B → C
- C+D → I
- E+F+G → R
- H+I → C
- J+K+L → L
- M+N → E

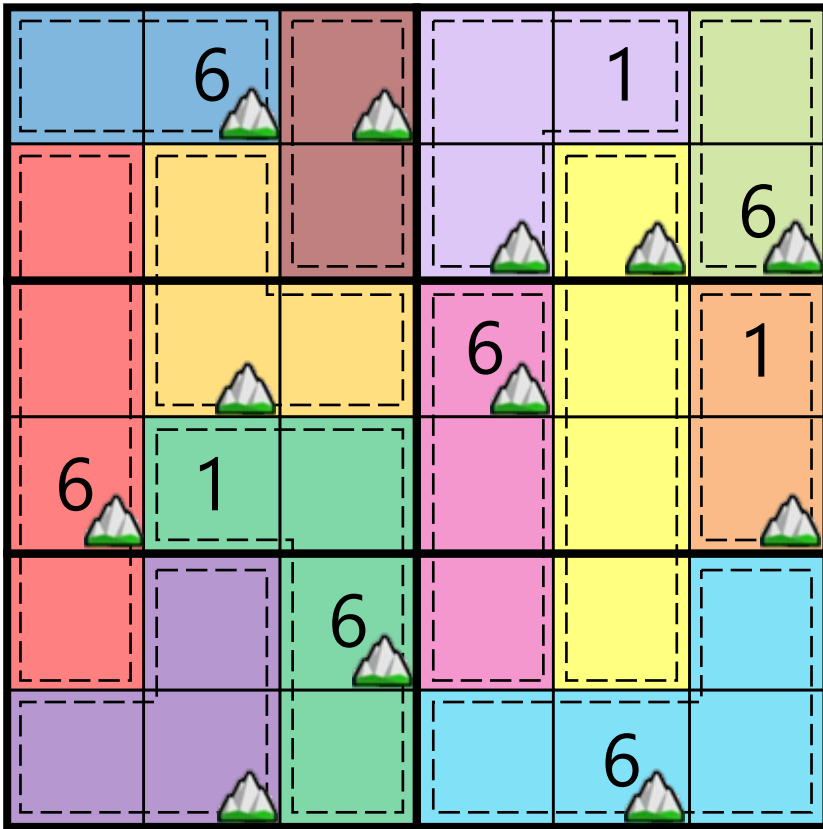
The dotted regions represent "mountain ranges". Like in the meta Climbing the Mountain, the  is the largest value in the range (peak), and numbers extending out from the peak are in descending order. Otherwise, normal sudoku rules apply. Convert the extracted numbers to letters via the arithmetic on the right.

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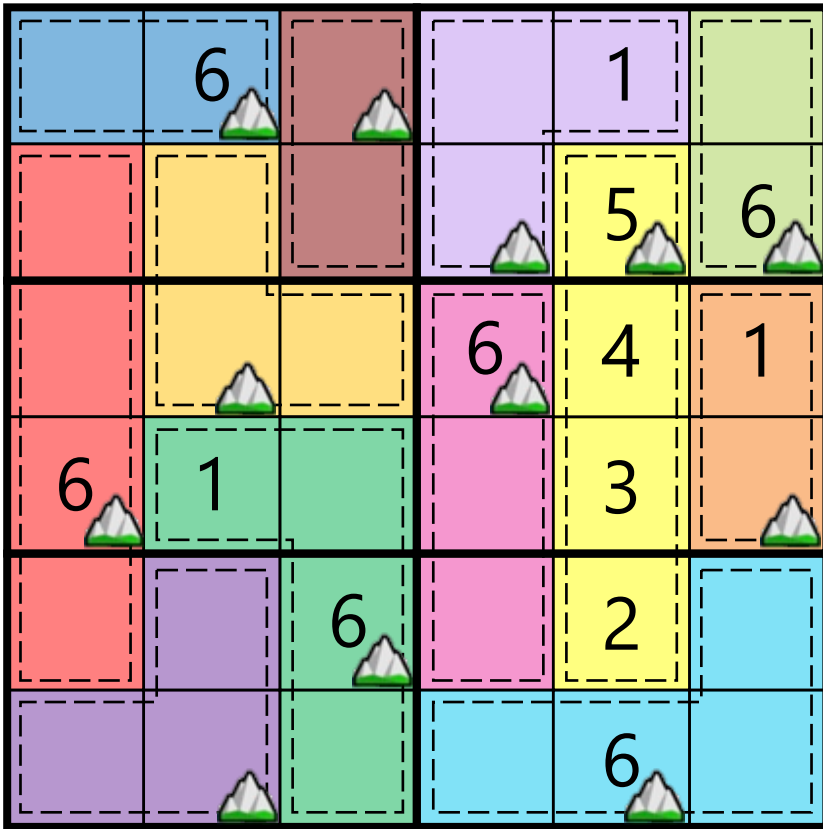




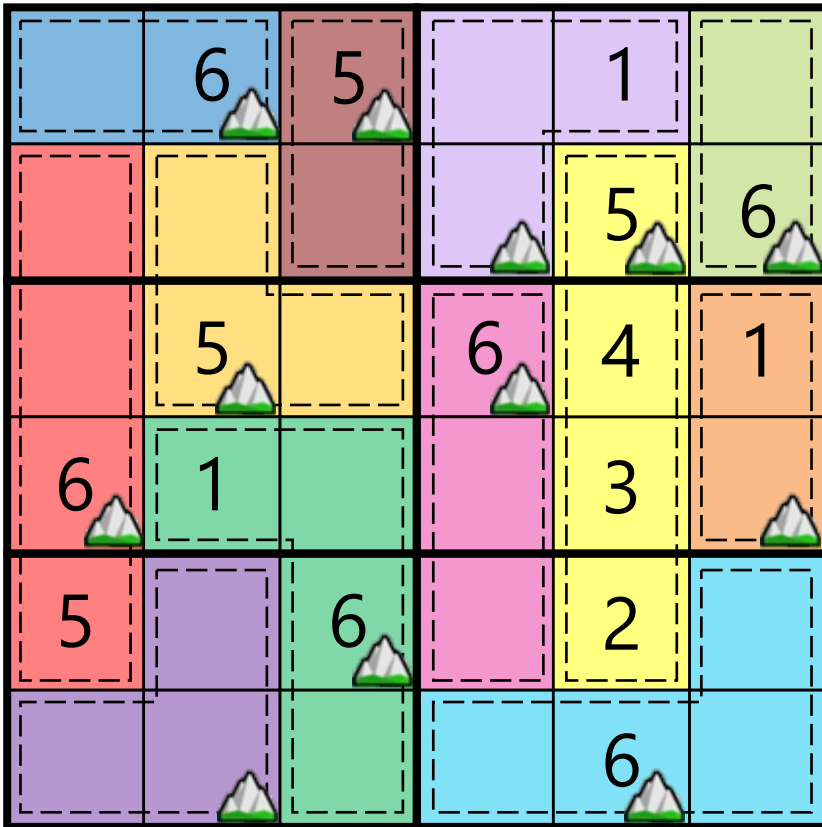
Here, we present a potential solve path for the sudoku. Since the largest number in any given "mountain" must lie at the peak, a 6 must always lie at the peak of a mountain. This lets us place all of the 6s.



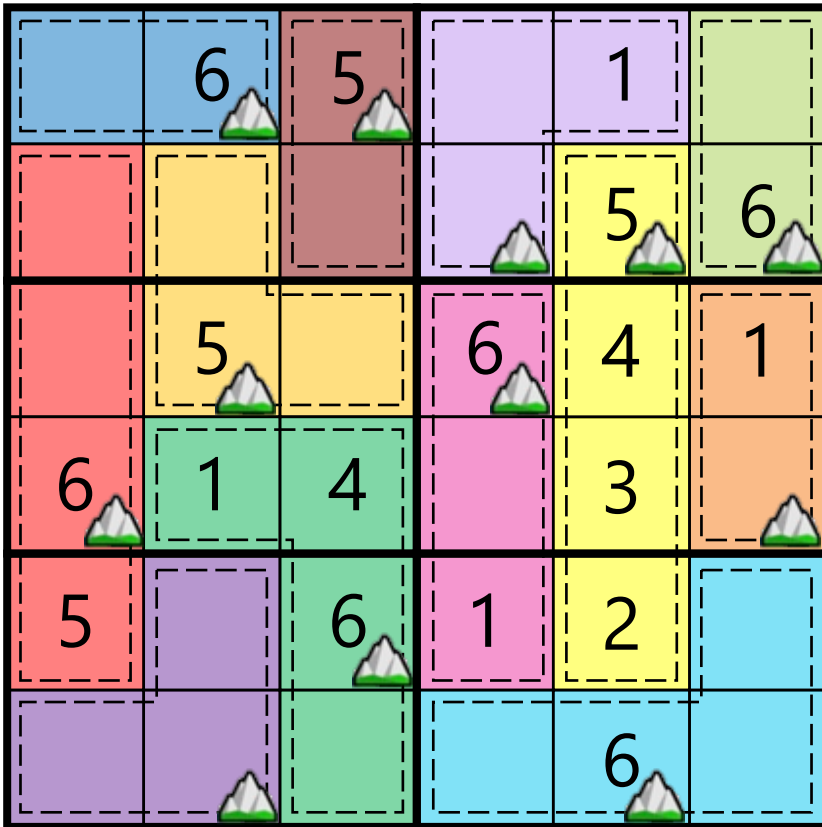
Similarly, a 1 must always be at the base of a mountain. This lets us place a few 1s.



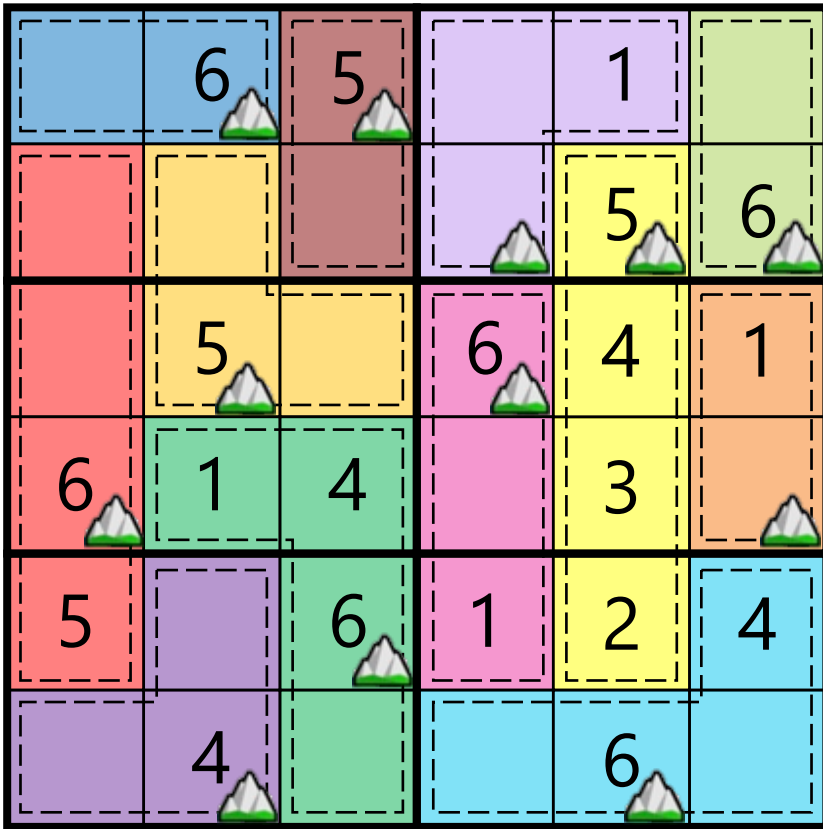
Next, we turn our attention to the 5s. The peak at 2 down, 5 across must be a five, since a five cannot appear anywhere else in the mountain, as a six cannot be at the peak. Then, there is only one possible way to fill the rest of the mountain, since a 1 cannot appear in it.



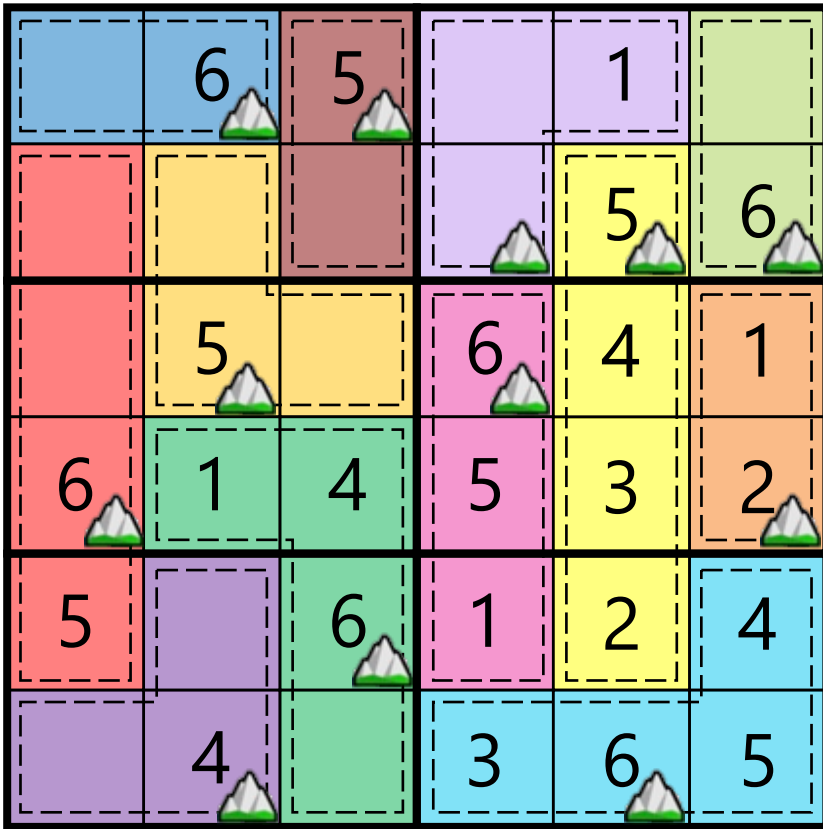
Next, we turn our attention to the bottom-right region. A five cannot appear in the top right, or top left since there cannot be a number between 5 and the 6 at the peak of each mountain. Thus, a 5 must appear in the bottom row of the bottom-right region, so a 5 must appear in the top row of the bottom-left region. It cannot be in the top center cell of this region, since then a 6 would have to go on the peak of its mountain. Thus, 5 must go in the top-left cell of this region. This lets us place (by normal sudoku rules) a 5 in the top right cell of the top-left region, and a 5 in the top center cell of the middle-left region.



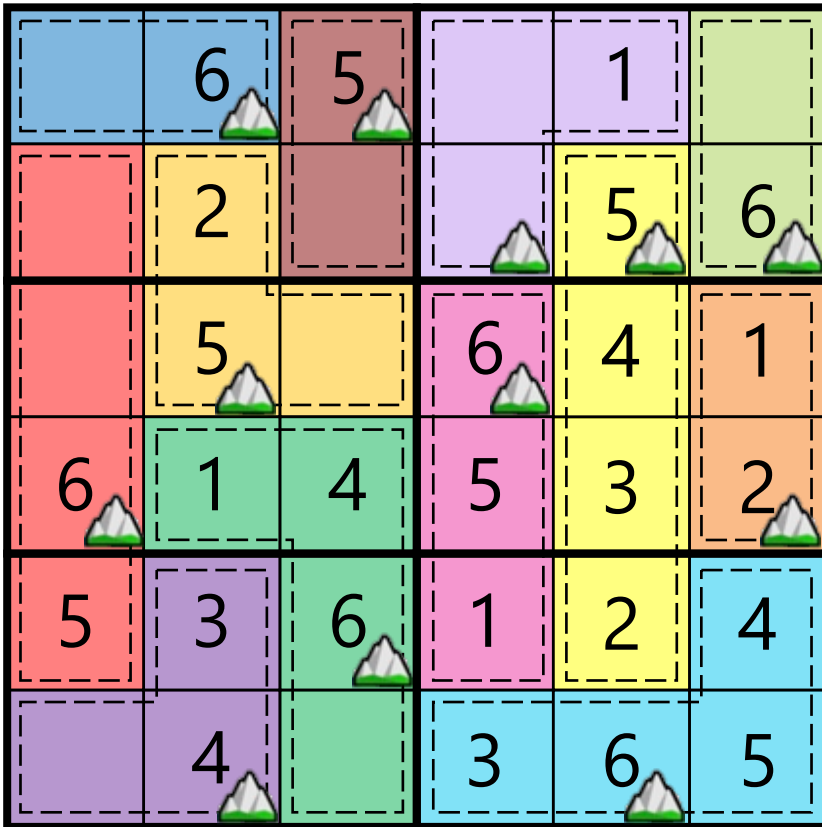
We can use normal sudoku rules and simple elimination to fill in a 4 in the bottom right cell of the middle-left region. Then, due to the 1 in the middle-left region, a 1 cannot appear in the top middle cell of the bottom-left region. Thus, a 1 must appear on the bottom row of this region, so a 1 cannot appear on the bottom row of the bottom-right region, so a 1 must go in the top left cell of this region.



4 cannot appear in the bottom right cell in the bottom-left region, so a 4 must appear in the bottom leftmost mountain. It cannot appear on either base, since then a 5 or 6 would appear at the peak. This lets us also fill in a 4 in the bottom-right region by standard sudoku rules.



The only number between 4 and 6 is 5, so a five goes in the bottom right cell of the bottom-right region. This lets us complete this region and the middle-right region by standard sudoku rules.



We can place a 3 in the top middle cell of the bottom left region by standard sudoku rules. This lets us finish this column as well.

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| 4 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| | 2 | | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| | 5 | | 6 | 4 | 1 |
| 6 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| 5 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| | 4 | | 3 | 6 | 5 |

In the top-right region, we can finish the region since only a 3 remains in the rightmost column, and a 4 and 2 in the left column of that region, since the order of these two numbers is fixed by the mountain. This lets us place a 4 in the top left cell of the top-left region.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 3 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 1 |
| 6 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| 5 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 5 |

Almost done. In the top-left region, only the 3 and 1 remain to be placed. The 3 cannot go in the bottom left cell, since then either a 4 or 5 would need to be placed between it and the 6, and both of those numbers are already present in the column. This lets us finish the grid by simple elimination.