Magic Square 3x3 Problem

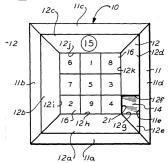


Figure from the 1985 Morrone Patent U.S. 4,548,410.

The *Morrone* patent (Fig. 3 shown above) shows a version of the *Nine Puzzle* where instead of a missing square there are 9 pieces and an extra tenth position into which one can be slid so the others can move around like the standard Nine Puzzle; the patent also shows an object of the puzzle to arrange the pieces so that the numbers add to 15 in all directions.

Below is an add for *Phenyo Caffein* which was found tucked into the pages of the green cover version of the 1893 *Hoffman book*. It presents a 3x3 magic square puzzle. This puzzle is also shown on the back of the Phenyo Caffein solution to the *Misfit Puzzle*, and Phenyo Caffein also provides a version of the Sectional Checkboard Puzzle.



Further Reading

See also *The Great Fifty Puzzle* for 4x4 magic squares.

Morrone Patent, from: www.uspto.gov - patent no. 4,548,410

Wikipedia Page: from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Magic_square