## : speedcubes

## Step 0. Things you must know before you can start

The cube is composed of centre pieces, edge pieces and corner pieces. The centres are fixed relative to each other. The centre piece defines the colour of the whole face

| Centre Pieces | Edge Pieces | Corner Pieces |
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The following notation is used. The symbols are applied to the face facing you, with the YELLOW FACE ON THE TOP.

| Move | Symbol | Name (call it <br> out when you do <br> it!) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | UP |  |
|  |  | DOWN |
|  |  | THUMB (do <br> it with your <br> right thumb) |


| Move | Symbol | Name (call it <br> out when you do <br> it!) |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  | TWIST |

Read the notation left-to-right, then next line

## Step 1. Get a white cross on the bottom layer

Your goal (note how the edges match their centres):
First, turn the cube so that the white centre is at the bottom, or the
yellow centre at the top (they amount to the same thing). The continue
with step 1a until the white cross is complete on the bottom layer.

1a. If there is an edge piece with white in the TOP layer then ... Align the edge piece over its centre, and ...
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1b. If there are no whites in the top layer AND there is a white in the MIDDLE row, then ...


1c. If there are no whites in the top layer AND there is a white in the BOTTOM row then ...


## Step 2. Complete the bottom white layer



The algorithms below move a corner from top right to bottom right without disrupting the cross. You may have to turn the top face ${ }^{\left(\frac{\overline{\underline{玉}}}{=}\right)}$ to achieve this.


| Note: you might <br> see this: | It's NASTY! <br> Here the corner is in its correct place, but is not oriented correctly. In <br> this case, use the first algorithm above to move any other corner from <br> the top face into the corner-position in question (the correct corner <br> piece will land up in the top layer), and then re-insert the correct corner <br> correctly. |
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## Step 3．Complete the middle layer

| The goal： | 1．Find an edge piece on the top layer without any yellow， <br> 2．align the edge piece so that the colour on the side is over a centre of <br> the same colour．You may have to turn the top face <br> 3．turn the whole cube so that the edge piece in question is on the right <br> （yellow face up） |
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Now do one of the following algorithms，depending on where the edge piece must go

|  |  | Repeat the first two twice ．．． $\square$ <br> ｜｜$\downarrow$ <br> then repeat these two twice |
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|  |  | Same structure as the one above <br> Repeat the first two twice ．．． <br> $11 \uparrow$ <br> then repeat these two twice |

Note：you might see this：


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Here the edge is in the right position，but oriented incorrectly． Use the first algorithm above to insert any other edge piece into the edge－slot，thereby knocking the correct piece back into the top row．Then re－insert it correctly

## Step 4. Get a yellow cross on the top layer

| The goal: | Don't worry if the yellow edge pieces don't align nicely with the centres in <br> the middle row. All you are concerned about is the yellow stickers <br> pointing up to form a cross. (Remember when solving the white cross in <br> step 1, you had to worry about getting the cross to match the centre <br> pieces. Not so here) |
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When doing the algorithms, ensure the yellow face is on the top

|  | Q. <br>  | up across ... down across the other way |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Exactly the same as the one above, but the first and last moves turn the front face AND the middle layer behind it |
|  | the first algorithm, then the second |  |

## Step 5. Rotate the corners so that you end up with a completed yellow face on top

The goal:


There is only one algorithm to learn, but it needs to be applied with the cube orientated correctly, as per the table below.


Ensure you have oriented the cube as per the table above, and then do this algorithm, with the YELLOW FACE ON TOP

| \\| $1 \times$ | up across |
| :---: | :---: |
| 晾 (彦 | down across |
|  | up across across |
| \|| | down |

You might (almost certainly) have to apply the algorithm a few times (each time using the orientation explained above) before you see a completed yellow top face. Keep going until you get it.

## Step 6. Put the yellow corners in their correct positions

The goal:

If you see headlights on all sides, or on three sides, move on to the next step.
If you don't have headlights at all, apply the algorithm below to get them.
Place the headlights at the back, facing away from you. Keep the yellow face on the top.


## Step 7. Get the last layer edge pieces into their correct places



