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Example puzzle

Three children each have a pet, a treat and a coloured cap. Which belongs to which?

	Blue	Green	Red	Hare	Penguin	Tortoise	Chocolate	Flapjack	Lolly
James									
Kiki									
Nolan									
Chocolate									
Flapjack									
Lolly									
Hare							-		
Penguin									
Tortoise									

- 1. Kiki, in the blue cap, is sucking on a lolly.
- 2. The kid with the flapjack is holding a tortoise.
- 3. The tortoise does not belong to James.
- 4. The child in the green cap has spilt chocolate all over their hare.

This means that:

	Blue	Green	Red	Hare	Penguin	Tortoise	Chocolate	Flapjack	Lolly
James	-					-			-
Kiki	v	I	-				-	-	v
Nolan	-								-
Chocolate	-	V	-			-			
Flapjack		I		-	-	v			
Lolly		1				-			
Hare	-	v	-				-		
Penguin		-							
Tortoise		-							

And from there it follows that:

	Blue	Green	Red	Hare	Penguin	Tortoise	Chocolate	Flapjack	Lolly
James	-					-		-	-
Kiki	v	I	-	1		-	-	1	v
Nolan	-								-
Chocolate	-	V	-	V	-	-			
Chocolate Flapjack	-	V -	-	V -	-	- V			
Chocolate Flapjack Lolly	- - >	>	-	V - -	-	- V -			
Chocolate Flapjack Lolly Hare	- - V -	> - >	-	V - -	-	- V -			
Chocolate Flapjack Lolly Hare Penguin	- - - -	> - - - -	-	V - -	-	- V -			

- Kiki's line should be the same as the line for Lolly, and as the blue column.
- 2. Flapjack and tortoise are the same, both horizontally and vertically.
- 3. Green, chocolate and hare all belong together.
- 4. Whenever the rest of the line or column is blocked with (-), the remaining box must be (V). If you do that, you should be able to solve the puzzle.Good luck with the others!