

# Solution to 1040EZ

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Step 1: Decode the tax form numbers using a telephone keypad where a repeated number is a repeated key press.

Example—5 = J, 55 = K

Campaign (page 11)  You  Spouse

Check here if you, or your spouse if a joint return, want \$3 to go to this fund . . . . ▶

<b>Income</b> Attach Form(s) W-2 here. Enclose, but do not attach, any payment.	1	Wages, salaries, and tips. This should be shown in box 1 of your Form(s) W-2. Attach your Form(s) W-2.	1	8	9
	2	Taxable interest. If the total is over \$1,500, you cannot use Form 1040EZ.	2	44	44
	3	Unemployment compensation and Alaska Permanent Fund dividends (see page 13).	3	33	33
	4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3. This is your <b>adjusted gross income</b> .	4	77	777
	5	If someone can claim you (or your spouse if a joint return) as a dependent, check the applicable box(es) below and enter the amount from the worksheet on back. <input type="checkbox"/> You <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse If no one can claim you (or your spouse if a joint return), enter \$8,450 if <b>single</b> ; \$16,900 if <b>married filing jointly</b> . See back for explanation.	5	88	33
<b>Payments and tax</b>	6	Subtract line 5 from line 4. If line 5 is larger than line 4, enter -0-. This is your <b>taxable income</b> .	6	33	8
	7	Federal income tax withheld from box 2 of your Form(s) W-2.	7	7777	2
	8a	Earned income credit (EIC).	8a	8	99
	b	Nontaxable combat pay election.	8b		
	9	Credit for federal telephone excise tax paid. Attach Form 8913 if required.	9	444	22
	10	Add lines 7, 8a, and 9. These are your <b>total payments</b> .	10	666	33
<b>Refund</b> Have it directly deposited! See page 18 and fill in 12b, 12c, and 12d or Form 8888.	11	Tax. Use the amount on line 6 above to find your tax in the tax table on pages 24–32 of the booklet. Then, enter the tax from the table on this line.	11	66	4
	12a	If line 10 is larger than line 11, subtract line 11 from line 10. This is your <b>refund</b> . If Form 8888 is attached, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	12a	444	2
	b	Routing number <input type="text" value="829926632"/> ▶ c Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings			
d	Account number <input type="text" value="2-266553337772883"/>				
<b>Amount you owe</b>	13	If line 11 is larger than line 10, subtract line 10 from line 11. This is the <b>amount you owe</b> . For details on how to pay, see page 19.	13	7777	66
<b>Third party designee</b>	Do you want to allow another person to discuss this return with the IRS (see page 20)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes. Complete the following. <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Designee's name ▶	Central Services	Phone no. ▶	( 744 ) 666-6633	Personal identification number (PIN) ▶	<input type="text"/>

Step 2: The question is WHERE TAX BEGAN?

To which the answer is the solution, **EGYPT**.