Killer Sudoku #1

7	11		21		10	6		13
	18		13				11	
9				20	7			31
11		21			26			
24								
		24					12	
	8				11	18	9	
12		8		16				7
	10					11		

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You will lose your present job and have to become a door to door mayonnaise salesman.

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Killer Sudoku #2

22			28			24		
9							7	
12	36							21
		12		38	3			
19	7	6			11		8	12
	15		24			12		
20	3		13		19	7		17

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"But more wonderful than the lore of old men and the lore of books is the secret lore of ocean."
-- H. P. Lovecraft

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Killer Sudoku #3

12			5	15	10	10	13	11
15		14						
23			15			13		14
	16			13	22			
	11					17		
	17					9	14	
	10		14		13		13	
12			10	8		10		11
15								

The firmest friendships have been formed in mutual adversity, as iron is most strongly welded by the fiercest fire.

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Killer Sudoku #4

16			3		26	12		37
8		12	11					
34	9		13		13	7		
		17		18			16	
	16	11			11			
			7				10	
	31			10		11		
				5			9	
	6			14		12		

Parallel lines never meet, unless you bend one or both of them.

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Killer Sudoku #5

4		10		12	10		14	
13		15			12		4	
11		13		14		14	12	
10							12	
17	11		28	10	20	14		14
		25						
16	8		32			9		21

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An erudite fool is a greater fool than an ignorant fool.

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Killer Sudoku #6

13			16		7		32	
13		14		17				
15	4				11			9
	18	15		13		12		
11					12	15		
	13		10					13
	26			23		9		
		21					9	
		10		6		18		

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Every man desires to live long, but no man desires to be old.
-- Jonathan Swift

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Killer Sudoku #7

17		13		13			19	24
10		10	10		14			
	18		9			12		
27		22					14	
		21						
		5	29					
	18		17	9		9		14
		19		10			19	
					3			

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You could get a new lease on life -- if only you didn't need the first and last month in advance.

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Killer Sudoku #8

21	18	19			23			
			11	13		5	9	
	6	11		33	10			16
			3			19		
	18				11	14		18
11			11				8	
	11	8			10			
31			4			17		
				16				

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Hints

Killer Sudoku #1

9	27	26	2	20	14	34	35	3
10	40	38	5	21	15	13	17	4
57	58	22	6	16	11	8	18	19
50	46	43	51	79	47	12	67	68
69	80	44	52	70	48	59	81	71
60	72	24	53	61	30	23	28	29
62	73	25	7	74	39	33	63	64
54	75	36	45	76	37	31	32	65
55	49	41	42	66	1	56	77	78

Killer Sudoku #2

48	56	57	73	81	74	41	58	20
45	49	53	40	52	46	50	42	43
37	59	60	75	76	77	51	61	38
27	36	78	65	1	15	14	26	18
33	34	22	23	66	62	63	35	67
30	29	68	69	79	80	64	28	70
5	55	54	71	39	72	31	32	3
11	19	21	7	8	10	47	44	9
25	24	4	6	13	12	2	16	17

Killer Sudoku #3

47	66	67	42	48	45	40	44	37
38	33	52	41	49	43	39	50	34
2	79	68	9	10	46	11	51	21
22	54	53	25	15	23	12	14	20
31	35	36	6	16	28	1	26	27
30	80	69	24	4	29	13	19	5
3	55	56	7	8	32	17	57	18
70	58	59	60	81	71	61	62	72
73	74	75	63	76	77	64	65	78

Killer Sudoku #4

20	49	50	39	38	17	21	19	15
59	60	26	51	52	23	22	7	16
36	31	27	67	68	24	13	18	14
81	28	62	69	75	25	29	70	76
77	78	63	64	79	32	30	71	72
73	80	61	65	74	33	10	2	66
53	42	54	43	40	34	44	3	1
55	45	56	46	37	35	47	6	4
48	57	58	41	12	11	9	8	5

Killer Sudoku #5

60	61	8	9	1	10	11	74	68
52	53	15	17	2	16	12	75	76
35	36	4	14	5	13	6	23	24
47	48	33	34	7	32	31	77	69
70	40	78	38	41	71	19	20	79
72	62	80	37	42	63	43	73	81
44	39	29	18	26	28	30	64	65
66	54	67	55	3	56	21	22	49
57	58	59	50	27	25	45	46	51

Killer Sudoku #6

63	76	69	48	49	9	8	18	17
43	44	2	1	12	11	7	20	19
3	77	78	57	52	5	30	28	6
4	79	64	42	80	10	15	16	65
70	81	71	58	72	73	40	39	66
67	35	36	47	53	68	41	37	13
59	54	55	46	50	45	25	24	14
74	75	38	60	56	51	26	23	21
33	34	61	62	32	31	29	27	22

Killer Sudoku #7

1	20	11	12	63	60	17	33	34
45	19	39	71	72	23	18	26	25
52	16	46	21	22	24	35	47	40
56	73	74	66	81	67	54	64	75
57	68	76	77	78	69	30	65	79
48	53	41	13	61	58	55	42	49
9	43	36	7	62	59	31	5	37
50	51	44	6	80	70	28	27	29
10	8	38	14	15	3	4	32	2

Killer Sudoku #8

37	32	14	15	7	5	11	12	38
22	30	31	42	17	13	9	23	39
40	74	75	43	8	21	10	24	4
44	76	81	77	54	20	45	46	3
47	78	79	80	55	64	70	48	73
25	71	56	49	57	58	69	59	72
26	65	29	50	51	66	67	60	68
27	61	28	1	2	62	52	53	63
41	33	34	16	18	19	6	35	36

INSTRUCTIONS: These hint grids reveal the order in which the squares were solved by my computer. It's not necessarily the same order you would use, but it's probably close. Follow the numbered squares in order 1,2,3... until you find a square you haven't solved yet. This square (or the one or two immediately after it) is a good candidate to solve next.

Answers

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Killer Sudoku #1

6	8	3	4	9	2	5	1	7
1	4	9	7	8	5	3	2	6
2	7	5	6	3	1	4	9	8
8	3	6	5	7	9	2	4	1
9	1	2	8	4	3	7	6	5
4	5	7	2	1	6	8	3	9
3	6	8	9	5	4	1	7	2
5	2	4	1	6	7	9	8	3
7	9	1	3	2	8	6	5	4

Killer Sudoku #2

3	4	7	6	8	9	2	1	5
1	8	6	2	5	7	9	3	4
2	9	5	4	1	3	6	8	7
7	3	4	8	6	2	1	5	9
9	2	1	5	3	4	7	6	8
6	5	8	7	9	1	4	2	3
4	6	9	3	2	8	5	7	1
8	1	2	9	7	5	3	4	6
5	7	3	1	4	6	8	9	2

Killer Sudoku #3

2	3	7	4	8	5	6	1	9
6	9	8	1	7	3	4	5	2
4	1	5	6	9	2	8	7	3
3	8	6	2	1	9	5	4	7
1	2	9	5	4	7	3	6	8
7	5	4	8	3	6	2	9	1
8	6	3	9	5	1	7	2	4
5	7	1	3	2	4	9	8	6
9	4	2	7	6	8	1	3	5

Killer Sudoku #4

9	4	3	1	2	6	7	5	8
2	6	5	3	8	7	9	1	4
1	8	7	9	4	5	2	3	6
5	1	6	7	3	8	4	9	2
3	9	8	4	6	2	1	7	5
4	7	2	5	9	1	8	6	3
8	5	1	2	7	3	6	4	9
6	3	9	8	1	4	5	2	7
7	2	4	6	5	9	3	8	1

Killer Sudoku #5

3	1	8	2	7	4	6	5	9
7	6	4	8	5	9	2	3	1
9	2	5	3	6	1	7	4	8
6	4	1	7	8	2	5	9	3
5	9	2	4	1	3	8	6	7
8	3	7	6	9	5	4	1	2
4	8	9	1	2	6	3	7	5
2	5	3	9	4	7	1	8	6
1	7	6	5	3	8	9	2	4

Killer Sudoku #6

5	2	6	9	7	3	4	1	8
9	4	7	1	6	8	3	2	5
8	3	1	2	4	5	9	7	6
7	9	2	5	3	6	8	4	1
1	6	3	8	9	4	7	5	2
4	5	8	7	1	2	6	3	9
6	7	5	3	2	9	1	8	4
2	1	9	4	8	7	5	6	3
3	8	4	6	5	1	2	9	7

Killer Sudoku #7

8	4	6	7	2	3	1	5	9
3	5	1	4	6	9	7	8	2
7	2	9	1	8	5	3	6	4
4	7	5	6	3	8	9	2	1
9	3	8	2	1	4	6	7	5
1	6	2	5	9	7	8	4	3
5	9	3	8	7	2	4	1	6
2	1	7	9	4	6	5	3	8
6	8	4	3	5	1	2	9	7

Killer Sudoku #8

6	3	9	8	2	1	4	7	5
2	7	8	5	4	9	3	1	6
1	5	4	6	3	7	2	8	9
9	1	5	2	8	3	6	4	7
3	4	2	1	7	6	5	9	8
7	8	6	4	9	5	1	3	2
4	9	1	7	6	2	8	5	3
5	2	7	3	1	8	9	6	4
8	6	3	9	5	4	7	2	1