

Killer Sudoku #1

3		15	33		18			9
26					31			
5			6					15
	10			8	25			
21	30							
	24				7	3		9
			30			22		
10	21				15			
							9	

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Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 thru 9.

The dotted lines indicate areas which also contain a non-repeating set of digits. These squares can be added together to produce the sums shown in the clues.

Be sure to use the answers page if you get stuck!

It is sometimes necessary to play the fool to avoid being deceived by cunning men.
-- La Rochefoucauld

Killer Sudoku #2

13		22				25		5
9		10	14		9	15		
14	4		26	6				
					20	18	13	
18								
11	11	21		11			14	
					9	10	19	
6			9					16
7		20						

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"The ability to simply means to eliminate the unnecessary so that the necessary may speak."
-- Hans Hopmann

Killer Sudoku #3

27		14		13		8	9	
		10		13			16	
7	8				16		11	
	24	7		31				21
10		13			18		13	
	9		21	10				12
18					18	7		
		4					17	

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"If life had a second edition, how I would correct the proofs."
-- John Clare

Killer Sudoku #4

29	20			10	11			19
	8	17			11		24	
				22				
		10				8		
18			17	15	17		16	
9		11				14		13
15	17			22		17		15

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"Energy, like the biblical grain of the mustard-seed, will remove mountains."
-- Hosea Ballou

Killer Sudoku #5

18			22		24			14
5	17		12		18			
	27							
14		9		12			14	
		31						
		13		20			3	
15		13	10	23	17		27	
							13	
14								

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If computers take over (which seems to be their natural tendency), it will serve us right.
-- Alastair Cooke

Killer Sudoku #6

20	14		10		4		20	14
	10		17			20		
	8	9	15					12
			25					
15		17			9		18	
	25	14				15		19
			21	10				
10						5		
		5		11		13		

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Computer programmers do it byte by byte

Killer Sudoku #7

13	21			21	13			26
	24					20		
			8	7	15			
24	12						11	25
			12	13	5			
40	12		27			7		31
		6			12			

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Whistler's Law:
You never know who is right, but you always know who is in charge.

Killer Sudoku #8

24	5		15		11		18	
	11		10	22				
		24		13		15		
19							28	
			21			14		
		14		18				
30			7				21	
	18					15		
		11		14		7		

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Hints

Tough Killer Sudoku Puzzles, Volume 3, Book 72

Killer Sudoku #1

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

Killer Sudoku #2

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

Killer Sudoku #3

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

Killer Sudoku #4

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

Killer Sudoku #5

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

Killer Sudoku #6

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

Killer Sudoku #7

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

Killer Sudoku #8

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

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

Tough Killer Sudoku Puzzles, Volume 3, Book 72

Killer Sudoku #1

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

Killer Sudoku #2

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

Killer Sudoku #3

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

Killer Sudoku #4

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

Killer Sudoku #5

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

Killer Sudoku #6

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

Killer Sudoku #7

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

Killer Sudoku #8

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