Sudoku #1

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

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"When that shutter clicks, anything else that can be done afterward is not worth consideration."
-- Edward Steichen

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.

If you use logic you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.

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Sudoku #2

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

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"Art is the unceasing effort to compete with the beauty of flowers - and never succeeding."
-- Gian Carlo Menotti

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Sudoku #3

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

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Don't be overly suspicious where it's not warranted.

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Sudoku #4

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

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"Follow your own star!"
-- Dante Alighieri

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Sudoku #5

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

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"The secret of a happy marriage remains a secret."
-- Henny Youngman

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Sudoku #6

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

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Pound for pound, the amoeba is the most vicious animal on earth.

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Sudoku #7

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

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Trivial matters are handled promptly; important matters are never solved.

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Sudoku #8

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

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Hints

Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 16, Book 92

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.

Sudoku #1

51	22	27	3	8	4	17	52	16
	53	23	1	5		25	54	
		9				6	7	2
55		42	43	33			34	44
45	12		46	35	36		37	38
18	10			13	30	28		31
26	56	19				57		
	21	47		39	40	48	15	
49	20	11	14	41	32	50	29	24

Sudoku #2

	4	5	45		34	30		31
	1		35	36	37	7	19	23
14	15	16			38	32		
24		52	53	46	47	25	20	
26			33	39	40			27
	17	54	55	18	48	6		21
		2	11			28	22	29
13	10	9	49	41	50		42	
3		8	51		43	12	44	

Sudoku #3

		2	24			19	17	22
45	35	46	47	25		48	36	
37		49	38	26	27	39	28	23
1	9	13	3		56	50		
		5	40	29	30	4		
		11	31		57	51	10	52
8	16	53	32	20	41	6		54
	15	14		33	7	42	18	34
55	43	21			12	44		

Sudoku #4

40		41	26	3			27	42
9	32	10			33	4	28	
	43	44	29	45	46			47
48	49	50		51	52		16	18
	6		25	53	34		20	
54	35		14	36		21	22	5
37			30	55	38	15	1	
	13	23	2			24	17	19
39	11			12	31	8		7

Sudoku #5

35	5	49	39		40	36	21	6
		50	51	52	41	37	15	
1		2		4		3		
		53	26	54	42	14	17	43
31	29			44			7	45
27	28	55	24	46	25	8		
		9		23		22		10
	30	38	47	48	13	19		
32	12	33	34		11	18	20	16

Sudoku #6

44		38	39		20	9	21	12
	11	1	40		19		41	
	33	6	42	7	34	13	35	
51	2			16	18	52	53	
45	30						46	22
	47	27	17	14			48	3
	31	26	36	15	8	28	10	
	23		4		32	54	49	
50	43	37	25		5	24		29

Sudoku #7

4			25	26		27		28
8	15	14		39	22	46	47	40
5	3	1	29					30
9	16			53	11	51	54	13
	6		31	23	21		20	
41	17	42	32	55			52	7
18					12	19	48	43
44	10	45	33	34		49	50	35
36		37		24	2			38

Sudoku #8

		13	32			12		37
24	25		29	38	35	53	46	54
		14		34	3	40	39	47
		4	11		26	48	41	49
28	27	20		5		55	21	50
22	8	15	9		23	6		
43	44	16	31	33		51		
42	52	17	30	10	36		2	45
18		7			19	1		

Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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