

## Sudoku #1

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

Painting:  
 The art of protecting flat surfaces from the weather, and exposing them  
 -- Ambrose Bierce

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## Sudoku #2

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

"Time flies over us, but leaves its shadow behind."  
 -- Nathaniel Hawthorne

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## Sudoku #3

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

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"A lean compromise is better than a fat lawsuit."  
-- George Herbert

## Sudoku #4

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

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"In politics, what begins in fear usually ends in folly."  
-- Coleridge

## Sudoku #5

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

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*The fact, in short, is that freedom, to be meaningful in an organized society, must consist of an amalgam of hierarchy of freedoms and restraint.*  
-- Samuel Henshel

## Sudoku #6

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

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*After a few boring years, socially meaningful rock 'n' roll died out. It was replaced by disco, which offers no guidance in any form of life more perfect than the disco floor.*  
-- Dave Barry, Kids Today: They Don't Know Dan Diddy Do"

## Sudoku #7

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

*I'll grant thee random access to my heart,  
 Thou'lt tell me all the foansants of thy love;  
 And so the two kind hearts shall prove  
 And -- Stanislaw Lem, "Cyberiad"*

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## Sudoku #8

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

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# Hints

Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 19, Book 30

# Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

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

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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