

## Sudoku #1

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

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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.

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

Need a little help? The hints page shows a logical order to solve the puzzle. Use it to identify the next square you should solve. Or use the answers page if you really get stuck.

The Extended Murphy's Law:  
If a series of events can go wrong, it will do so in the worst possible sequence.

## Sudoku #2

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

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You're at the end of the road again.

## Sudoku #3

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

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Sainthood is acceptable only in saints.

## Sudoku #4

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

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What is "Free" to me, but being masterless -- and maybe hungry?  
-- Callen the Fool

## Sudoku #5

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

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Publishing a volume of verse is like dropping a rose petal down the Grand Canyon and waiting for the echo.

## Sudoku #6

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

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During an exam, the pocket calculator battery will fail.  
-- M. M. Johnston

## Sudoku #7

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

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Love the sea? I dove upon it -- from the beach.

## Sudoku #8

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

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# Hints

Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 24, Book 16

# Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

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

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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