

Sudoku #1

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

"A husband is what is left of a lover, after the nerve has been extracted."
-- Helen Rowland

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Sudoku #2

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

"All children are artists. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up."
-- Pablo Picasso

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Sudoku #3

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

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When the going gets tough, the tough go shopping.

Sudoku #4

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

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The only good is knowledge and the only evil is ignorance.

Sudoku #5

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

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The weight of your pack increases in direct proportion to the amount of food you consume from it. If you run out of food, the pack weight goes on increasing anyway.
 -- Milt Barber

Sudoku #6

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

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"I owe it all to little chocolate domes."
 -- John Belushi

Sudoku #7

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

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*It is unwise to do unto others as you would that they do unto you. Their tastes may not be the same.
-- George Bernard Shaw*

Sudoku #8

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

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Hints

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Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

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.

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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