

Sudoku #1

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

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

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I ain't broke, but I'm badly bent.

Sudoku #2

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

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*Chisolm's Third Law, Corollary 3:
Procedures designed to implement the purpose won't quite work.*

Sudoku #3

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

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"Life is largely a matter of expectation."
-- Horace

Sudoku #4

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

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"By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail."
-- Benjamin Franklin

Sudoku #5

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

The Jovian invaders sort a Bunch of captives in the nude. These for breeding, those for slaughter, And the fairest ones for food.

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Sudoku #6

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

*"Leadership cannot really be taught. It can only be learned."
--Harold S. Geneen*

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Sudoku #7

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

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*It's easier to be original and foolish than original and wise.
--Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz*

Sudoku #8

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

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Hints

Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 25, Book 86

Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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