

# Sudoku #1

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

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*It has just been discovered that research causes cancer in rats.*

# Sudoku #2

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

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*A few books are alright, like wine, but too much can be bad. Books break down brains.*

# Sudoku #3

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

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*Nag, nag, nag. Why else do you think I'm here? Go do something!*

# Sudoku #4

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

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Whatever happens in government could have happened differently and it usually would have been better if it had.  
-- Prof. Charles Frankel

# Sudoku #5

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

*What? Me worry??*

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# Sudoku #6

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

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*A timid person is frightened before a danger, a coward during the time, and a courageous person afterwards.*  
-- Jean Paul Richter

# Sudoku #7

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

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*If life is a stage, I want some better lighting.*

# Sudoku #8

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

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# Hints

## Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 25, Book 87

Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

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.

# Answers

Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 25, Book 87

Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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