

Sudoku #1

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

I knew who I was when I got up this morning, but I think I must have changed several times since then.
-- Lewis Carroll

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Sudoku #2

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

Did you know that clones never use mirrors?
-- Ambrose Bierce

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Sudoku #3

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

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You shall reach the pinnacle of success because of your total lack of ethics.

Sudoku #4

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

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It is hardly possible to suspect another without having in one's self the seeds of the business the other party is accused of. -- SunTzu

Sudoku #5

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

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Zimmerman's Law of Complains:
Nobody notices when things go right.

Sudoku #6

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

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"The ability to delude yourself may be an important survival tool."
-- Jane Wagner

Sudoku #7

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

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A place you want to get to is always just off the edge of the map you happen to have handy.
-- Dennis Parsons

Sudoku #8

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

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Hints

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Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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