

Sudoku #8

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

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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.

*If you've already donated, thank you so much!
My family and I really appreciate your support.*

Sudoku #1

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

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*The three indispensable of genius are understanding, feeling, and perseverance. The three things that enrich genius, are contentment of mind, the cherishing of good thoughts, and exercising the memory.
-- Southey*

Sudoku #2

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

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When it is not necessary to make a decision, it is necessary not to make a decision.
-- Lord Falkland

Sudoku #7

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

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An era can be said to end when its basic illusions are exhausted.
-- Arthur Miller

Sudoku #6

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

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Sudoku #3

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

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At a recent meeting in Snowmass, Colorado, a participant from Los Angeles fainted from hyperventilation, and we had to hold his head under the exhaust of a bus until he revived.

Sudoku #4

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

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*Rune's Rule:
If you don't care where you are, you ain't lost.*

Sudoku #5

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

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*Of all the words of witch's doom,
There's none so bad as which and whom.
The man who kills both which and whom
Will be enshrined in our Who's Whom.
-- Fletcher Knebel*

Hints

Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 25, Book 97

Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

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

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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