

## Sudoku #8

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

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## Sudoku #1

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

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Never play cards with a man called Doc.  
 -- Nelson Algren

# Sudoku #2

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

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# Sudoku #7

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

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There is many a good man to be found under a shabby hat.

"Earth is a flower and it's pollinating."  
-- Neil Young

# Sudoku #6

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

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# Sudoku #3

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

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To refuse praise is to seek praise twice.

It's so stupid of modern civilization to have given up believing in the Devil when he is the only explanation of it.

# Sudoku #4

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

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# Sudoku #5

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

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For a man to truly understand rejection, he must first be ignored by a cat.

Genius is the highest type of reason -- talent the highest type of understanding. -- Hickok

## Hints

Challenging Sudoku by KrazyDad, Volume 26, Book 7

## Answers

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Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #2

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

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 #3

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #8

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

Sudoku #1

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

Sudoku #3

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

Sudoku #5

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

Sudoku #7

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

Sudoku #2

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

Sudoku #4

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

Sudoku #6

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

Sudoku #8

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