## **SUDOKU**

To solve a sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in:

- → Each of the nine vertical columns.
- → Each of the nine horizontal rows.
- → Each of the nine 3 x 3 boxes. Remember, no number can occur more than once in any row, column or box.

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

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

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

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

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