# Beginner Sudoku practice

6 puzzles | Answers on pages 4-5

Fill every row, column and 3 x 3 box with 1-9, without repeats.
Start with the first-move tip below each puzzle. Pencil in candidates before guessing.

### Puzzle 1 | beginner-v1-1

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

First move: row 1, column 4 = 8.
Every other digit is blocked by its row, column or box.

### Puzzle 2 | beginner-v1-2

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

First move: row 1, column 1 = 3.
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### Puzzle 3 | beginner-v1-3

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

First move: row 1, column 5 = 2.
Every other digit is blocked by its row, column or box.

### Puzzle 4 | beginner-v1-4

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

First move: row 1, column 5 = 7.
Every other digit is blocked by its row, column or box.

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### Puzzle 5 | beginner-v1-5

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

First move: row 1, column 2 = 6.
Every other digit is blocked by its row, column or box.

### Puzzle 6 | beginner-v1-6

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

First move: row 1, column 2 = 6.
Every other digit is blocked by its row, column or box.

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# Answer keys

Beginner Sudoku practice | Match each answer to its numbered puzzle.

**Answer 1 | beginner-v1-1**

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

**Answer 2 | beginner-v1-2**

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

**Answer 3 | beginner-v1-3**

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

**Answer 4 | beginner-v1-4**

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

# Answer keys

Beginner Sudoku practice | Match each answer to its numbered puzzle.

**Answer 5 | beginner-v1-5**

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

**Answer 6 | beginner-v1-6**

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