



# Sudoku Puzzles

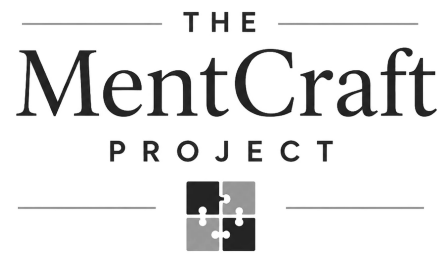
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## **For David**

My son, you have a wonderful mind.  
Always remain curious and never assume you know everything.

## **How to Get the Most Out of This Book**

Every MentCraft collection is built on a simple belief: a mind that's challenged regularly stays sharper, more curious, and more capable. Different puzzles exercise different mental muscles, and Sudoku has a special place in that family: it turns patient observation into disciplined logical progress.

Each grid begins with a few certainties and many open possibilities. Your task is to place the digits 1 through 9 so that every row, every column, and every 3 x 3 box contains each digit exactly once. The rules are simple; the satisfaction comes from learning to see what they imply.

Start with what is already known. Look for a row, column, or box where only one digit can fit, then let each solved cell reveal the next step. Strong Sudoku solving is not about speed or guessing. It is about narrowing possibilities, recognizing patterns, and building the solution one sound deduction at a time.

This volume contains 100 Expert puzzles followed by 10 bonus puzzles, all independently verified to have one unique solution and to match the difficulty printed on the cover. Expect advanced patterns, extended logical chains, and long stretches where precision matters more than speed. Keep candidates disciplined, record useful relationships in My Notes, and return to earlier assumptions whenever the grid asks for a deeper look. Each puzzle is an exercise in sustained attention: the satisfaction comes from reaching the final number through logic you can trust.

**Puzzle 1**

Main - Expert

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

My Notes:

**Puzzle 2**

Main - Expert

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

My Notes:

## Puzzle 3

Main - Expert

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

My Notes:

## Puzzle 4

Main - Expert

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

My Notes:

# **BONUS PUZZLES**

Our gift to you for choosing this book!  
Ten extra puzzles at the same carefully verified Expert level.

**Puzzle 101**

Bonus - Expert

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

My Notes:

**Puzzle 102**

Bonus - Expert

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

My Notes:

Solution 1

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

Solution 2

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

Solution 3

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

Solution 4

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

Solution 5

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 9        | <b>1</b> | 8        | 5        | <b>4</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>6</b> | 3        | 2        |
| <b>4</b> | 5        | 7        | <b>3</b> | 6        | <b>2</b> | 9        | 1        | <b>8</b> |
| 6        | 3        | 2        | 1        | 9        | 8        | 4        | 5        | <b>7</b> |
| <b>8</b> | 6        | <b>3</b> | 9        | 7        | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | 4        | 5        |
| 2        | 4        | 5        | 6        | <b>8</b> | 3        | 7        | <b>9</b> | 1        |
| 7        | 9        | 1        | <b>4</b> | 2        | <b>5</b> | <b>8</b> | 6        | <b>3</b> |
| 5        | <b>7</b> | <b>9</b> | 2        | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>1</b> | 8        | 6        |
| 1        | 8        | 6        | 7        | 5        | 9        | 3        | 2        | <b>4</b> |
| <b>3</b> | 2        | 4        | <b>8</b> | 1        | 6        | 5        | <b>7</b> | 9        |

Solution 6

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1        | <b>3</b> | 4        | 6        | 8        | 9        | 5        | 7        | 2        |
| <b>9</b> | <b>8</b> | 6        | 7        | 5        | 2        | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | 1        |
| <b>2</b> | 5        | <b>7</b> | 4        | 3        | <b>1</b> | 8        | 6        | 9        |
| 8        | 7        | 2        | 1        | 4        | 5        | 6        | 9        | <b>3</b> |
| 3        | <b>6</b> | 9        | <b>2</b> | 7        | 8        | 4        | 1        | <b>5</b> |
| <b>5</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>1</b> | 9        | <b>6</b> | 3        | 7        | 2        | <b>8</b> |
| 6        | <b>2</b> | 8        | 5        | <b>1</b> | <b>7</b> | 9        | 3        | 4        |
| <b>4</b> | 9        | 3        | 8        | 2        | 6        | 1        | <b>5</b> | 7        |
| 7        | <b>1</b> | <b>5</b> | 3        | <b>9</b> | 4        | <b>2</b> | <b>8</b> | 6        |

Solution 7

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |   |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| 8        | 7        | 2        | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 1        | 4        | <b>9</b> | 3 |
| <b>1</b> | 6        | 5        | 4        | 3        | 9        | 2        | 8        | 7 |
| 9        | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | 2        | 7        | 8        | 5        | 1        | 6 |
| <b>3</b> | 4        | 1        | <b>9</b> | 2        | <b>7</b> | 8        | 6        | 5 |
| 6        | 5        | 8        | 1        | <b>4</b> | 3        | 9        | 7        | 2 |
| <b>7</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>9</b> | 8        | 5        | 6        | <b>1</b> | 3        | 4 |
| <b>4</b> | 1        | <b>6</b> | 3        | <b>9</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>7</b> | 5        | 8 |
| 2        | <b>9</b> | <b>3</b> | 7        | <b>8</b> | 5        | 6        | <b>4</b> | 1 |
| 5        | 8        | 7        | 6        | 1        | 4        | 3        | 2        | 9 |

Solution 8

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>2</b> | 5        | 3        | 7        | <b>4</b> | <b>6</b> | 1        | 9        | 8        |
| 7        | 4        | 6        | <b>1</b> | 8        | 9        | 2        | <b>3</b> | 5        |
| <b>1</b> | <b>8</b> | 9        | 2        | <b>5</b> | <b>3</b> | 7        | 6        | 4        |
| 5        | 6        | <b>2</b> | <b>4</b> | 9        | 7        | 8        | <b>1</b> | 3        |
| 8        | 3        | 1        | 5        | 6        | 2        | 4        | 7        | <b>9</b> |
| 4        | 9        | <b>7</b> | 8        | <b>3</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>6</b> |
| 3        | 2        | 8        | 6        | 7        | <b>5</b> | 9        | 4        | <b>1</b> |
| 9        | <b>1</b> | <b>4</b> | 3        | 2        | 8        | <b>6</b> | 5        | <b>7</b> |
| <b>6</b> | 7        | <b>5</b> | 9        | 1        | 4        | <b>3</b> | 8        | 2        |

The MentCraft Project starts from a simple idea: a mind that's exercised regularly stays sharper, more curious, and more capable - but not every mind sharpens the same way. Some people think best in words, others in numbers, shapes and spatial patterns, or sequences of logical steps. That's why MentCraft builds puzzle collections across many different formats, each one training a different kind of mental muscle.

Sudoku trains the mind through calm concentration and disciplined reasoning. A single grid asks you to notice what is present, what is missing, and what must follow. Each number placed with confidence comes from a chain of small, clear deductions - the quiet satisfaction of turning uncertainty into order without relying on guesswork.

This Expert collection is designed for seasoned solvers who seek sustained concentration, advanced pattern recognition, and multi-stage deductions. Every puzzle has one unique solution, has been independently verified at the stated difficulty, and can be solved logically without guessing. Work methodically, protect the accuracy of each step, and enjoy the rare satisfaction of bringing a demanding grid into complete order.

