

# Sudoku a Day

## Week 9, 2026

Monday Feb 16 '26 – Sunday Feb 22 '26

Easy

Scan the QR code next to each puzzle to open it in the Sudoku a Day app



Tuesday  
Feb 17 '26  
Easy

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

Use a consistent sweep rhythm—rows, then columns, then boxes—to avoid missing easy placements. A predictable cycle moves new progress up visually when you loop back around.  
sudokuaday.com/sweeping



Thursday  
Feb 19 '26  
Easy

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

A hidden single is a cell with just one candidate. They appear constantly after each elimination round—expect for singles frequently, even in late stages of a hard puzzle.  
sudokuaday.com/hidden-single



Monday  
Feb 16 '26  
Easy

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

Start each puzzle by scanning for singles: sweep every row, column, and box to find cells that have only one possible number. A couple of clean scan passes build momentum and often unlock the entire early game.  
sudokuaday.com/scanning



Wednesday  
Feb 18 '26  
Easy

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

Pencil marks are your map. Add candidates as they become viable and clear them as soon as they're not. Fresh notes prevent phantom contradictions and reveal pairs and hidden singles as a game.  
sudokuaday.com/pencil-marks



Friday  
Feb 20 '26  
Easy

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

A hidden single is the only place a digit can go in a row, column, or box—until that cell has other marks. Check each digit 1-9 per unit to uncover hidden singles efficiently.  
sudokuaday.com/hidden-single



Saturday  
Feb 21 '26  
Easy

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

Try digit-focused scanning: pick a number and sweep the grid to see where it can go. This perspective makes pairing pairs and box-the-reductions much easier to spot than unit-by-unit scans.  
sudokuaday.com/scanning

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

Monday, Feb 16 '26

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

Tuesday, Feb 17 '26

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

Wednesday, Feb 18 '26

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

Thursday, Feb 19 '26

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

Friday, Feb 20 '26

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

Saturday, Feb 21 '26

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

Sunday, Feb 22 '26



Sunday  
Feb 22 '26  
Easy

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

Cross-hatching remains useful: look a digit's positions in a box by using given interesting rows and columns. It's a quick sanity check that often yields early placements.  
sudokuaday.com/cross-hatching