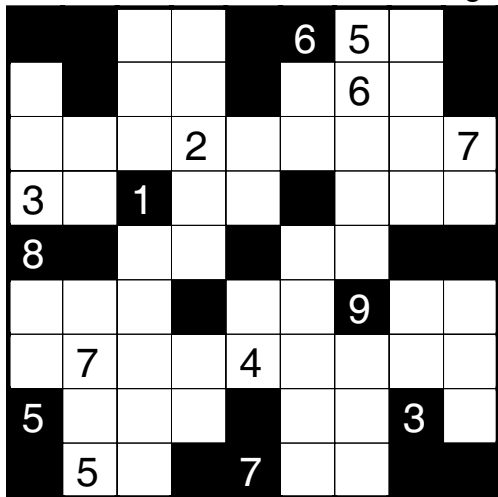


STR8TS

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Tough



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Previous solution - Medium

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

How to beat **Str8ts** –

Like Sudoku, no single number can repeat in any row or column. But... rows and columns are divided by black squares into **compartments**. These need to be filled in with numbers that complete a 'straight'. A **straight** is a set of numbers with no gaps but can be in any order, eg [4,2,3,5]. Clues in black cells remove that number as an option in that row and column, and are not part of any straight. Glance at the solution to see how 'straights' are formed.

SUDOKU

No. 1469

Easy

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

The solutions will be published here in the next issue.

Previous solution - Very Hard

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

To complete Sudoku, fill the board by entering numbers 1 to 9 such that each row, column and 3x3 box contains every number uniquely.

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