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

Puzzle **309**, difficulty rating: **Intense**

Each number (from 1 to 9) must occur exactly once in each row, each column, and each 3x3 sub-region. Several numbers are already filled in for you: those are your hints. Your goal is to fill in every blank square.