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# GRAY AREA SUDOKU

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In this new sudoku variant, standard sudoku rules apply—that is, each digit from 1 through 9 must appear exactly once in each row, in each column, and in each 3×3 block. (Note that the 3×3 blocks are not outlined.) In addition, each grid is divided into gray and pink regions (outlined in black) where N = the number of squares in that region. Each pink region will contain digits from 1 to N, while each gray region will contain digits from 10–N to 9. For example, a pink region of area 4 contains digits from 1 to 4, while a gray region of area 4 contains numbers from 6 to 9.

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**1**

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

**2**

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

**3**

				6		8		
			7			4		
	1							
			2					
	5							
	9			3				

**4**

	7							
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		9						
2								
				5				
	4							
			1					
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