

the griddle Loop de Loop

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For this sudoku-like puzzle, place the digits 1 through 8 around each star with no repeats.

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The puzzle grid consists of 48 yellow stars arranged in a complex, irregular pattern. Each star is surrounded by 8 adjacent cells. The grid is divided into several regions by thick black lines. The numbers in the grid are as follows:

- Top-left region:**
 - Row 1: 8, 2, 4, 3, 5
 - Row 2: 5, star, 1, star, 2, star, 6
- Top-right region:**
 - Row 1: 3, 8, 6, 1, 4
 - Row 2: 1, star, 7, star, 5, star, 8
- Middle-left region:**
 - Row 1: 8, 3, 8, 1, 5
 - Row 2: 5, star, star, star, 7, star, 5, star, 6, star, 4, star, 6, star, star, star, 1
 - Row 3: 4, 7, 2, 8, 2, 1, 7, 2, 7, 3
 - Row 4: star, star, 1, star, 7, star, 1, star, 6, star, 8, star, 3, star, 1, star, star, 4
 - Row 5: 8, 1, 6, 5, 2, 3, 5, 1, 4, 6, 3, 1, 5
- Middle-right region:**
 - Row 1: 5, star, star, 2, star, 7, star
 - Row 2: 2, 8, 3, 4, 2, 3
 - Row 3: star, star, star
 - Row 4: 1, 7, 5, 3, 1
 - Row 5: 4, star, 5, star, 6, star, 8, star
- Bottom-left region:**
 - Row 1: 4, 1, 7, 1, 8
 - Row 2: star, 5, star, 7, star, 3
 - Row 3: 5, 2, 1, 8, 3, 6, 2, 7
 - Row 4: star, star, 2, star, 5, star, 8, star, 6, star, 8, star, 5, star, 7, star, 8, star, star, 6, 2
 - Row 5: 3, 4, 8, 2, 7, 3, 1, 5, 4, 8
 - Row 6: 2, star, star, star, star, 4, star, 2, star, 6, star, 8, star, star, star, star, 8
 - Row 7: 1, 6, 4, 5, 5, 7, 6, 1, 6
 - Row 8: star, 5, star, 3, star, 2
 - Row 9: 8, 7, 1, 6, 7, 6
- Bottom-right region:**
 - Row 1: 8, star, star, 7, star
 - Row 2: 1, 5, 1, 3, 4, 6