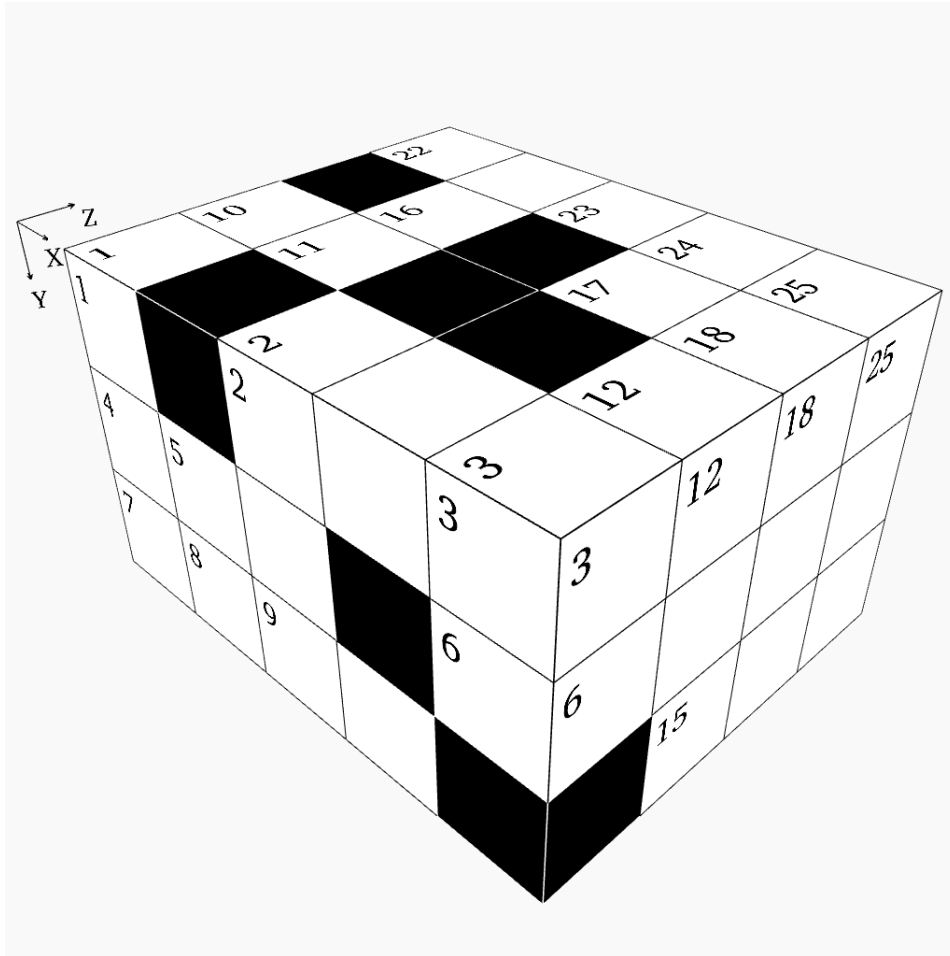


Box - Challenging Puzzle #27



This puzzle is like a crossword, but with numbers. Each digit occupies a 3D block and can be a part of a "word" in the X,Y, and Z directions.

Rules:

1. "Words" may not start with a zero.
2. "Words" in the X direction read from left to right.
3. "Words" in the Y direction read from top to bottom.
4. "Words" in the Z direction read from front to back.
5. There is one unique solution which satisfies all the clues given below.
6. Some "words" may not have clues. They will be determined by the "words" which intersect them.

If we take the box pictured above and divide it into individual X-Y layers, we will get these planes:

1		2		3	10	11			12		16			17	18
4	5			6					13		19			20	
7	8	9				14				15	21				
					22		23	24	25						
							26								
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X Direction

- 2 Y3 plus Y12
- 4 Eighteen times Y5
- 7 A palindrome
- 10 Y25 minus Y19
- 13 X21 divided by twenty
- 14 Z13 minus Y19
- 17 Half of Z19, then subtract X13
- 19 Last two digits are the same as last two digits of Y18
- 21 Mean of Z15 and Z13
- 22 A prime number
- 26 Y3 plus Y20
- 27 Mean of Y11 and X14

Y Direction

- 1 Z11 minus Y25
- 2 Z15 minus X2
- 3 Half of Z5, then subtract X26
- 5 Mean of Z21 and Z17
- 11 A prime number
- 12 Mean of Z15 and Y17
- 16 X21 minus Y25
- 17 Z21 minus Y5
- 18 X2 plus Y2
- 19 Mean of Y5 and X10
- 20 Y22 minus Z17
- 22 X7 divided by fifty-five
- 23 Eleven times a prime number
- 24 Last two digits are the same as last two digits of Y22
- 25 Rearranged digits of X26

Z Direction

- 1 A prime number
- 3 Nine times a prime number
- 5 Y2 plus X17
- 6 Twice a prime number
- 8 Ninety-three times Y17
- 9 Thirty-one times a prime number
- 11 Mean of Z8 and Z15
- 13 A square
- 15 Five times Z13
- 17 Y5 minus Y17
- 19 Two-thirds of Y20
- 20 X26 minus X13
- 21 X21 minus half of X4

Solution:

5		2	7	1	9	7			2		1		1	5
5	2	2		6		4		1	5	6	4	9	0	0
5	9	9	5			3	7		5	3	0	0		0
					1	5	9	9	1					
					0		1	0	6					
					9		3	9	0					