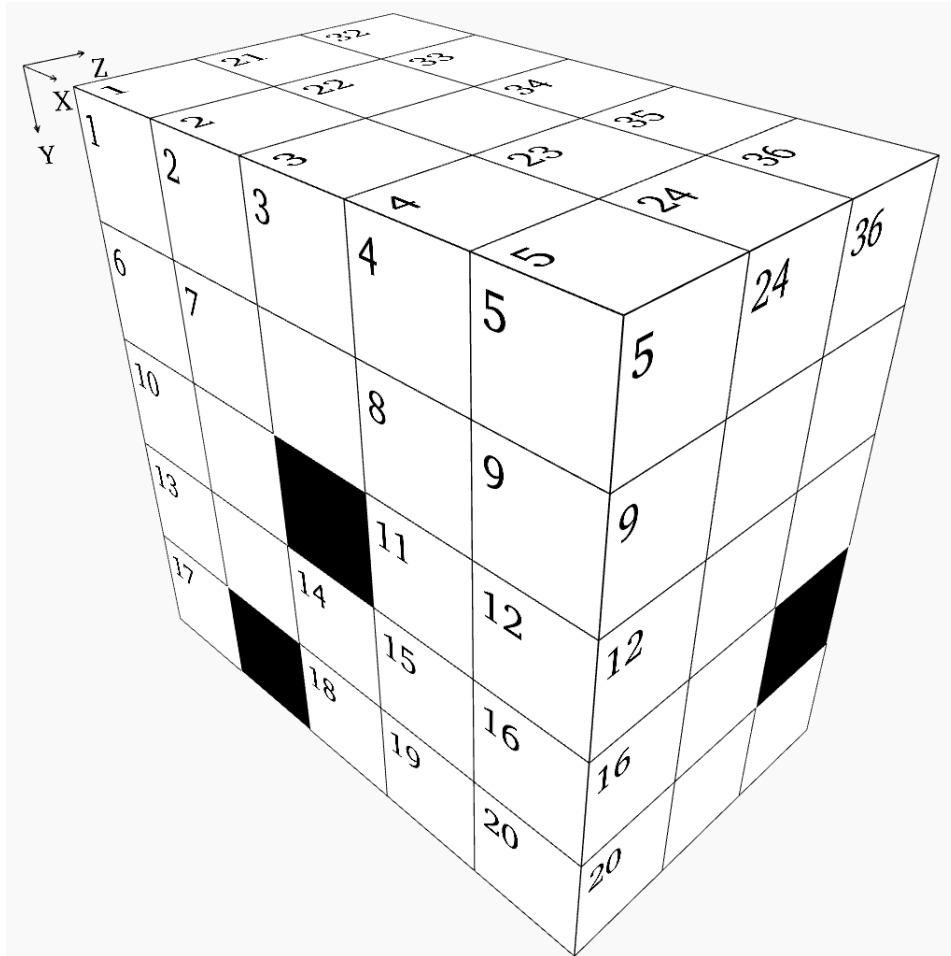


## Box - Challenging Puzzle #31



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  | 4  | 5  | 21 | 22 |  | 23 | 24 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 6  | 7 |    | 8  | 9  | 25 |    |  | 26 |    | 37 |    |    |    |    |
| 10 |   |    | 11 | 12 |    |    |  | 27 |    |    | 38 |    |    |    |
| 13 |   | 14 | 15 | 16 | 28 |    |  | 29 |    | 39 |    |    |    |    |
| 17 |   | 18 | 19 | 20 | 30 | 31 |  |    |    |    | 40 |    |    |    |

### X Direction

- 1 Fifty-eight times a prime number
- 6 Three thousand four hundred seventy-four less than X21
- 10 Y34 minus Z12
- 11 Sum of digits in Y4
- 13 Twice a prime number
- 18 Mean of X11 and Z20
- 21 Seventy-nine times a prime number
- 25 X37 divided by Z6
- 26 Its digits total Z27
- 29 Same as Y21
- 30 Y5 plus half of Z17
- 32 Consecutive digits unordered
- 37 Three thousand one hundred sixty-three less than X32
- 38 Y32 minus Z27
- 39 Z15 minus half of Z16
- 40 Z13 times Z27

### Y Direction

- 1 Five times a prime number
- 2 X29 times Y3
- 3 Y2 divided by Y23
- 4 Fifty-seven times a prime number
- 5 Fifteen times a prime number
- 14 X29 minus Y35
- 21 Y14 plus Y35
- 22 Y14 plus Y28
- 23 Z27 plus Y35
- 24 Twice a prime number
- 28 A square
- 29 A prime number
- 32 X10 minus X11
- 33 A prime number
- 34 One hundred twenty-one less than Z13
- 35 Half of Z4, then subtract Z5
- 36 Sixty-two times Z27

### Z Direction

- 1 Thirty-one more than Z13
- 2 Y2 divided by nine
- 3 Z2 minus half of Z8
- 4 Z6 plus Z17
- 5 Mean of Z19 and Z15
- 6 Sixteen times Z15
- 7 Mean of Z1 and X38
- 8 Z5 minus X18
- 9 A square
- 12 Rearranged digits of Y36
- 13 X40 divided by Y14
- 15 Mean of Y28 and Z17
- 16 Same as Y32
- 17 Z5 minus Z7
- 18 Z19 minus Z20
- 19 Twenty-five times a prime number
- 20 Mean of Z4 and Z17
- 27 Z16 minus X38
- 31 Mean of Y14 and Z8

**Solution:**

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 7 |
| 9 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 6 |   | 4 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| 6 | 8 |   | 2 | 4 |   |   | 1 |   | 7 |   | 3 | 2 |   | 4 |
| 6 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 6 |   |   | 9 | 4 | 3 | 7 |   |   |   |
| 5 |   | 2 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 7 | 2 |   | 7 | 9 | 5 | 6 |