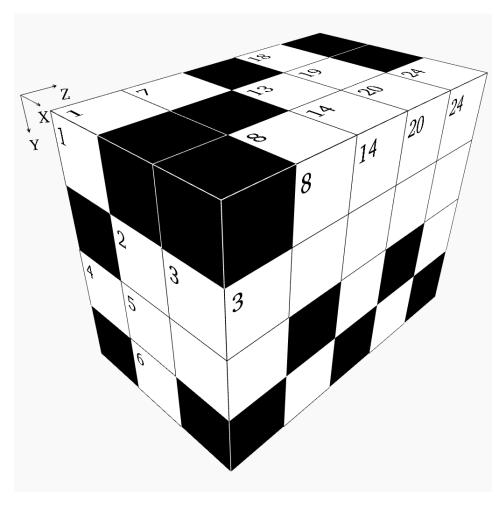


# **Box - Challenging Puzzle #44**



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			7		8		13	14	18	19	20			24
	2	3	9	10		15				21		25	26	
4	5		11			16			22			27		
				10		15			00			20		
	6			12		17			23			28		

#### **X** Direction

- 2 X12 plus X13
- **4** Five times a prime number
- 9 Mean of X18 and X28
- 11 Z17 minus Y24
- **12** X18 divided by twenty-nine
- 13 Y3 minus Z9
- 15 X13 times Y8
- 16 Half of X27, then subtract Y15
- **17** Mean of X22 and X12
- **18** Thirty-two times a prime number
- 21 Mean of Y7 and Z9
- 22 Mean of X11 and X13
- **23** Nineteen times a prime number
- **25** Sixteen times Y3
- **27** Four times a prime number
- 28 Mean of X13 and Z1

## **Y Direction**

- 2 Z17 plus Y7
- **3** Y8 plus Y22
- **7** X4 minus X23
- 8 X17 minus Z1
- 10 A prime number
- 13 Z6 divided by X12
- **14** Z17 minus Z9
- 15 X27 minus X23
- 19 Thirty-five times a prime number
- **20** A prime number
- **22** Y19 divided by Y20
- **24** Sixteen times a prime number
- **25** Mean of X25 and Y26
- 26 Twice a prime number

#### **Z** Direction

- 1 Y2 divided by X2
- **2** Fourteen times a prime number
- 3 Ten times a prime number
- 4 Three times a prime number
- **5** Seventy-four times a prime number
- **6** Three thousand one hundred twenty-two more than Z3
- **8** A prime number
- **9** Z1 plus X17
- **13** Z9 minus X22
- 17 Twenty-seven times X13

# **Solution:**

1			1		2		1	3	9	2	8			3
	4	5	4	Ŧ	0	2	6	0		9	3	8	8	0
6	9	5	4	Ŧ		1	6	9	3	0		7	6	4
	5			3	2	3	1		5	5	1	1	2	