

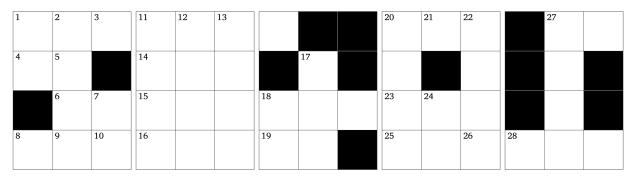
# **Box - Challenging Puzzle #48**

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:



#### **X** Direction

- **1** A square
- 4 X6 minus Z4
- 6 Y18 minus X19
- 8 Z2 plus Y1
- **11** A square
- 14 Five times a prime number
- 15 Z8 divided by X27
- **16** Three-fourths of X25
- **18** Sixteen times a prime number
- **19** Twice a square
- **20** Mean of X11 and Z15
- **23** Last two digits are the same as Z2
- 25 Eight times a prime number27 Mean of Z4 and Z26
- **28** Y1 plus X16

## **Y** Direction

- **1** X8 minus Y24
- 2 Consecutive digits unordered
- 7 X27 minus X4
- **11** First two digits are the same as first two digits of Y17
- **12** Sixty-six times a prime number
- 13 Twice the result of Z7 plus X14
- **17** X16 minus Z2
- 18 Three-fourths of Y24
- **20** Twice the result of Y27 minus Y22
- 22 Sixty-six times Y24
- **24** X16 minus Y17
- **27** Five times a prime number

## **Z** Direction

- 1 X25 times Z3
- **2** Same as Y24
- **3** X6 minus X4
- 4 Z1 divided by X25
- 5 X4 times X6
- 6 Last two digits are the same as Z2
- **7** Forty-four times Z26
- **9** Last two digits are the same as last two digits of Y27
- 10 Z26 plus half of X19
- **15** Rearranged digits of X18
- **21** Three times a square
- 22 Mean of X6 and X27
- 26 Z4 plus Y24

# Solution:

9	6	1	2	8	٩	7			2	7	4		5	3
1	4		9	6	5		2		1		4		5	
	3	3	2	4	8	5	9	2	9	6	8		8	
1	5	٩	3	6	6	1	8		4	8	8	4	5	7