## Box - Challenging Puzzle \#59



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 $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}$, 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 X23 minus X7
3 Y3 plus X20
7 X16 minus X23
9 X21 minus X18
11 A prime number
12 Half of X3, then subtract Z5
15 Z2 minus Z4
16 Mean of X20 and X25
18 Y24 reversed
19 X3 plus X1
20 X16 minus X21
21 X25 minus X16
23 A square
24 Mean of X15 and Z5
25 Four times X7

## Y Direction

1 Sum of digits in Z7
2 X23 plus X18
3 Y17 minus Z14
9 One thousand one hundred ninety-one less than Y21
10 Nine times a prime number
11 Six times a prime number
16 A prime number
17 One hundred thirty-three less than Z1 13 Fifty-two times a prime number
21 Twice a square
22 Y9 plus Z3
24 X18 reversed

## Solution:

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

