## Box - Challenging Puzzle \#60



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 Mean of Y22 and X19
3 Mean of X24 and Y21
6 Seven times a prime number
9 Half of X22
11 X28 minus Z4
13 X1 plus X9
15 Thirty-four times a prime number
16 Z11 plus Y15
17 Z4 plus Y22
19 Z10 divided by X16
20 A square
22 Four times Z20
23 Z14 minus X1
24 Twice a prime number
27 Same as X23
28 Mean of Y20 and Z14

## Y Direction

1 Eight times a prime number
2 Twice a prime number
5 X17 minus X9
13 A prime number
14 Thirty-seven times a prime number
15 Same as Z23
20 X9 plus Y15
21 Mean of Z20 and Z4
22 Mean of Z12 and X1
25 Nine times a prime number
26 Five times a prime number

## Z Direction

2 Y22 times Z7
3 Thirty times a square
4 Twice the result of X15 minus X6
5 Mean of X22 and Z7
6 Twenty-seven times a prime number
7 Mean of X23 and Y5
8 Y25 minus X15
10 Fifty-three times a square
11 X16 minus Z23
12 Z14 minus X1
14 X1 plus X27
18 Sum of digits in Y14
20 X28 minus X17
23 Twice the result of X28 minus X11

## Solution:

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

