## Box - Challenging Puzzle \#61



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:


| 27 | 28 | 29 |
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| 30 |  | 31 |
| 32 |  |  |
| 33 |  | 34 |
|  | 35 |  |


| 36 |  | 37 |
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| 38 | 39 |  |
| 40 |  |  |

## X Direction

1 Z6 minus half of Y29
3 Y15 times X18
6 Mean of X22 and Z26
9 Z10 minus Y1
12 A square
13 X23 minus Z34
15 X19 divided by twenty-one
16 Z23 reversed
18 Mean of Z34 and X40
19 Mean of Y17 and X24
21 A square
22 Same as X16
23 X3 divided by nine
24 Four times a prime number
27 Eight times Y39
30 Y27 divided by X35
32 Forty-two times Y15
33 Mean of Z19 and Z12
35 Twice X21
36 Eight times a prime number
38 Seven times X1
40 X6 minus X21

## Y Direction

1 X27 times X13
2 X9 times Z26
5 Five times a prime number
13 A prime number
15 X13 minus X35
17 Y2 divided by X9
19 X19 times X40
20 Y37 plus Z4
27 Six times a square
28 A palindrome
29 Sixty-six times a prime number
36 Y28 minus half of X16
37 Fifteen times a prime number
39 Mean of X13 and X6

## Z Direction

2 Forty-three times a prime number
3 A prime number
4 Seven times a prime number
6 Twice a prime number
7 Rearranged digits of Y27
8 Twenty-one times a prime number
10 Fifty-one times a prime number
11 X30 divided by X21
12 A square
14 Y17 times X13
19 X38 plus half of X36
23 A square
25 A prime number
26 Mean of X21 and X16
31 Mean of X13 and X15
34 Mean of Y15 and Y39

## Solution:

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

