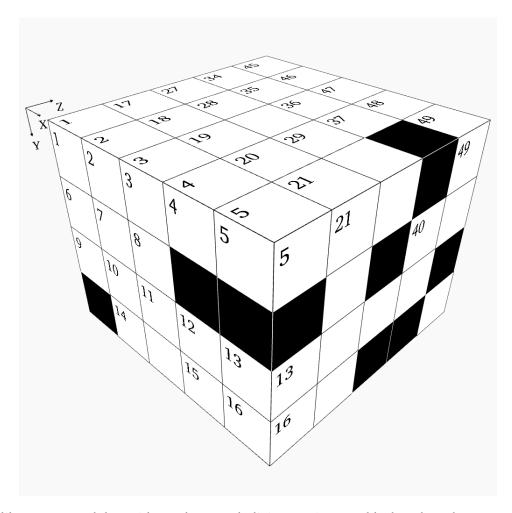


# **Box - Hard Puzzle #31**



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	2	3		4	5	5		17		18		19		20		21		27		28			29	
6	7	8						22						23										
9	10	11		12	1	13		24										30				31		
	14			15	1	16		25						26				32				33		
			34		35		36		37				45	<u> </u>	46		47		48		49			
			38				39				40		50											
			41		42				43				51											
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#### X Direction

- 1 Two thousand one hundred twenty-five 1 Twenty-one times Z42 less than Z1
- 6 Mean of Y1 and Y36
- **9** A prime number
- **14** X32 plus Z38
- **17** Fifty-three times a prime number
- 22 Last two digits are the same as Z33
- **24** Y37 times Y49
- **25** Y49 plus X43
- **26** Twice the result of X41 plus Z40
- 27 Z12 plus Y29
- **31** X51 minus Y45
- 32 Mean of X34 and Z5
- **34** Four times a prime number
- **38** Five thousand nine hundred sixty more than X45
- 41 Mean of Z39 and Y31
- **43** Z38 minus Y12
- **44** Eleven times a prime number
- **45** A prime number
- **50** Nine times a prime number
- **51** Seventy-five times a prime number
- **52** X31 minus Y30
- **53** A square

#### Y Direction

- **2** Sixty-one times Z10
- 3 Ten times a prime number
- **12** A square
- **13** Y28 plus X26
- **17** Three times a square
- **18** Eleven times a prime number
- 19 Fifty-eight times Z40
- **20** One thousand one hundred eighty more than Y2
- 21 Twice the result of X51 minus Z33
- 28 Mean of Z6 and X26
- 29 Rearranged digits of Z13
- **30** X53 plus Y28
- **31** X25 minus Y40
- **34** Eighteen times a prime number
- **35** Y1 plus Y13
- **36** Half of Y3, then subtract Y48
- **37** X24 divided by Y31
- **40** Same as X43
- **45** Sixty-three times a prime number
- **46** A prime number
- **47** X9 minus X17
- **48** Twice a prime number
- **49** Y19 divided by fifty-eight

#### **Z** Direction

- **1** A prime number
- 2 Twice the result of X22 minus X44
- 3 Seven thousand seven hundred sixty-nine less than X45
- **4** A prime number
- **5** Twice a prime number
- **6** Mean of Y36 and Z38
- 7 Thirty-eight times a prime number
- **8** X26 minus Z39
- 9 Nine hundred two more than Z14
- **10** Consecutive digits in descending order
- 11 Y35 minus Z16
- 12 Thirty-five times a prime number
- **13** Y34 minus Y28
- **14** A prime number
- **15** Three thousand six hundred seventy-seven less than Z14
- **16** Z33 plus X26
- 23 X32 divided by three
- 25 Z23 plus Z5
- 33 Z38 minus Z8
- 38 Y40 plus Y12
- **39** X6 divided by X25
- **40** Z16 minus X53
- 42 Y30 minus X26

## **Solution:**

9	3	2	6	8		5	6	6	5	;   ·	7	3	4	4	9	8
4	9	3				2	2	3	1		0		6		6	
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