## Cube - Challenging Puzzle \#17



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 cube pictured above and divide it into individual X-Y layers, we will get these planes:


## X Direction

1 X59 minus Y53
4 Half of X16, then subtract Z10
9 X12 minus Y2
10 X1 minus X55
12 Y29 plus Y53
14 Mean of Z39 and Y58
16 Consecutive digits unordered
21 X12 minus Y28
24 Mean of Z3 and X52
26 X9 reversed
27 Seventeen thousand nine hundred seventy-one less than Z9
30 Two thousand four hundred eighty more than Z15
31 Mean of Z39 and Z16
34 Two thousand four hundred seventy-five more than Z18
37 Three thousand nine hundred thirty-two more than Y54
40 Twenty-two times X21
41 Eight times a prime number
44 Z14 plus Z5
48 First two digits are the same as first two digits of Y45
49 Fifty-five times a prime number
50 Twenty-four thousand seventy-one less than Y1
52 X12 plus X10
55 X58 divided by five
56 X12 minus X21
58 Mean of X55 and X59
59 Z50 plus X9

## Y Direction

1 Twenty-seven times a prime number
2 Three-fourths of Z39
$\begin{array}{ll}3 \text { Four thousand two hundred eighty-four } 4 \text { Y43 minus X58 } \\ \text { less than X48 } & 5 \text { A prime number }\end{array}$
4 Y32 minus Z21
7 Five times a prime number
21 Eight times a prime number
22 X12 minus X31
23 Eight thousand four hundred thirty-four more than Y3
25 Y45 plus Z1
28 X12 minus X9
29 Sum of digits in Y46
31 Four times X12
32 Seven times a prime number
33 Twenty-eight times a prime number
35 X34 divided by Z50
36 Y23 minus Z11
42 Seven times a prime number
43 Eighty-eight times a prime number
45 Y25 minus Y51
46 One thousand six hundred twenty-three less than Z21
47 Nineteen times a prime number
51 A square
53 Mean of Z16 and Y58
54 Half of Y33, then subtract X56
57 Y22 minus Z16
58 Eight times X56

## Z Direction

1 A square
3 Three times a prime number

6 Eight times a prime number
7 Twenty-three thousand fifty-one more than X27
8 X50 minus half of Y21
9 A prime number
10 Fifteen times a prime number
11 Last two digits are the same as last two digits of Y45
12 Z50 plus Y57
13 X49 plus half of Y31
14 A prime number
15 Three thousand three hundred forty-one more than Z14
16 Mean of Y57 and Y53
17 Twice the result of Y45 minus X9
18 Forty-nine times a prime number
19 Z1 times X14
20 Three thousand nine hundred fifty-three more than Z14
21 Six hundred eighty-four more than Z10
29 A square
38 Four times X26
39 A square
50 Y22 reversed

## Solution:

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

