## Cube - Challenging Puzzle \# 21



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:

| 1 | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 19 |  | 20 |  |  | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 |
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| 5 | 6 | 7 |  |  | 21 | 22 |  |  |  | 35 |  |  | 36 |  |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |  |  | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 37 |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |  | 27 |  |  |  | 28 | 38 |  |  | 39 |  |
|  |  | 16 | 17 | 18 |  |  | 29 |  |  | 40 | 41 |  |  |  |



| 51 | 52 |  |  | 53 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 54 |  |  | 55 |  |
| 56 |  | 57 |  |  |
| 58 |  |  |  |  |
| 59 |  |  |  |  |

## X Direction

1 Z50 plus Y19
3 Sum of digits in Y26
5 Y47 times Z50
8 A prime number
12 Forty-three times a prime number
16 X51 minus Z36
20 X1 plus X54
21 Mean of X44 and X38
23 Nineteen times Y32
27 Six thousand one hundred twenty-five more than Z4
29 Seventeen times a prime number
30 First two digits are the same as first two digits of Z13
35 Twenty-four times a prime number
37 Thirty-five times a prime number
38 Mean of X42 and X44
39 Mean of Z18 and X20
40 X35 minus Z10
42 Z 41 minus half of Z 48
44 X3 plus Z50
46 Mean of Y24 and Y19
48 Three times a prime number
49 X44 minus Z50
51 Seven times X39
54 Mean of X38 and Z50
55 Y43 reversed
56 Nine thousand three hundred ninety-eight more than X35
58 X59 plus Y46
59 Eleven thousand one hundred sixty-nine more than Z11

## Y Direction

1 Fifty-six times a prime number
2 Twenty-six times X29
3 Nine hundred eighty-five less than Z16 4 Thirteen times a prime number
4 X46 minus X54
7 Eighty-seven times a prime number
19 X20 minus X1
22 Y32 plus half of X51
24 Mean of Y47 and Z50
25 Twice a prime number
26 Nine times a prime number
30 Fifty-eight times a square
31 Three times a prime number
32 A square
33 Z4 plus X48
34 X23 minus Z36
42 Last two digits are the same as last two digits of Z41
43 Mean of Z20 and X44
45 Twenty-four times X49
46 Z20 times X3
47 Rearranged digits of X46
51 Fifteen times a prime number
52 Seventeen times a square
53 A prime number
55 Eight times X16
57 Two-thirds of Y26

## Z Direction

1 Twice the result of Y1 minus Z6
3 Mean of Z50 and Y24
5 Y52 plus X21
6 X23 plus Z10
9 Twice the result of Z28 minus Y7
10 Six thousand nine hundred eighteen less than Z11
11 Mean of Y51 and Y53
12 X56 plus X12
13 Z 17 plus X16
14 X42 minus Z20
15 First two digits are the same as first two digits of Y25
16 Twice a prime number
$17 \mathrm{Z9}$ minus Y46
18 Mean of X49 and X39
20 Z31 minus Z9
26 Two thousand eight hundred fifty-one less than Y3
28 Forty-nine times a prime number
31 Y25 minus X44
36 A square
37 Twice the result of X46 plus Y24
41 Y32 minus Z20
48 Y43 plus X42
50 Y22 divided by X55

## Solution:

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

