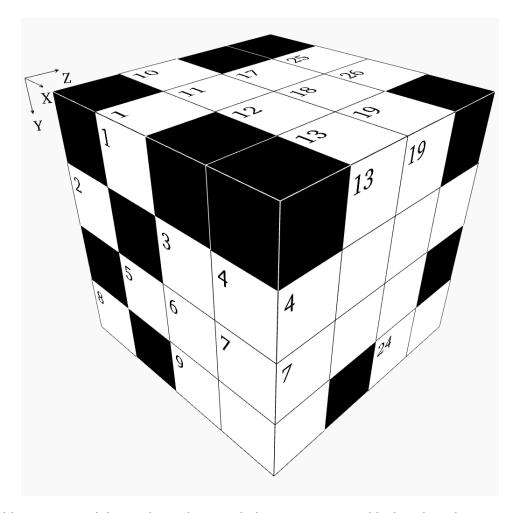


# **Cube - Challenging Puzzle #26**



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

	1			10	11	12	13		17	18	19		25	26	
2		3	4	14	15			20				27		28	
	5	6	7	16						21		29	30		
8		9						22	23		24	31			

#### **X** Direction

- 3 Same as Z15
- **5** Six times a prime number
- **9** Y11 divided by three
- **10** X22 minus Y26
- **14** Seventy-two times a prime number
- **16** Eight hundred sixty-five more than X22
- **17** A prime number
- **20** Mean of Y18 and X21
- **21** X9 reversed
- **22** Twenty-one times a prime number
- **25** X9 plus X28
- **28** A square
- 29 Mean of X5 and Y4
- **31** Mean of Y12 and X3

#### **Y Direction**

- 3 Rearranged digits of Y11
- **4** Y17 plus Y3
- 10 Half of Z8, then subtract Y19
- **11** A square
- **12** Fifty-two times a prime number
- 13 Eleven times X21
- **17** Mean of X21 and Z5
- 18 Three hundred ninety-four less than 78
- 19 Seventeen times X25
- 20 Half of Z7, then subtract Y17
- **26** Ten times a prime number
- **27** One hundred fifteen less than Z12
- **30** Three times a prime number

#### **Z** Direction

- 1 Twenty-one times a prime number
- 2 Mean of X16 and Y3
- **3** Thirty-two times a prime number
- **4** Z1 plus Z24
- **5** A square
- **6** A prime number
- **7** Four times a prime number
- 8 Twenty-two times a prime number
- 9 Fifty-two times Z24
- **12** Three-fifths of Z16
- **13** Seven times a prime number
- 15 Y13 divided by twenty-one
- **16** One hundred eighty-four more than X17
- 23 Same as Y30
- **24** X31 divided by thirty

## **Solution:**

