## Cube - Challenging 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 $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}$, 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 X16 minus X15
3 X20 plus Z12
5 A square
9 X13 minus Z2
12 Y19 minus X1
13 Three hundred twenty-four less than Y2
15 Digits are the same as last two digits of Y11
16 Y17 divided by fourteen
18 X26 divided by sixty-seven
20 A square
21 Mean of Z8 and Y19
22 Fifty-four times a prime number
26 Fifteen times a prime number
27 Twice the result of X3 plus X21
28 Mean of Y22 and Y2

## Y Direction

1 X21 minus X20
2 Four hundred twenty-three more than X9
3 Y11 minus X13
9 Thirteen times a prime number
10 Eight times a prime number
11 Five hundred twenty-six more than Z6
14 X16 minus Y1
16 Twice the result of X26 minus Y9
17 Z 8 plus half of Y23
19 Z2 minus X20
22 One thousand nine hundred ninety-one less than X9
23 Eight times a prime number
24 Forty times a prime number
25 Mean of X15 and Y14

## Solution:



