## Cube - Challenging Puzzle \#36



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:


| 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 |
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| 43 |  |  |  |  |
| 43 |  | 45 |  |  |
| 44 |  |  |  |  |


| 46 | 47 | 48 |  | 49 |
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| 50 |  |  |  |  |
| 51 |  |  | 52 |  |
| 53 |  |  |  |  |
| 54 |  |  |  |  |

## X Direction

1 Thirty-two times a prime number
6 Three times a prime number
9 Five times a prime number
12 Half of X54, then subtract Y3
16 A prime number
21 Mean of Y26 and Z45
22 Mean of Y25 and Y23
25 One thousand nine hundred eighty-one less than Z14
27 Four thousand six hundred fifty-eight more than X43
28 Half of Z17, then subtract Z33
31 Sixteen times a prime number
34 Twice the result of Z15 plus Y24
35 X36 divided by thirty-four
36 Y12 times Z45
37 Twice a prime number
42 Two thousand nine hundred twenty-eight less than Y4
43 Mean of Y47 and Z43
44 Last two digits are the same as last two digits of Z15
46 X37 plus Y49
50 Thirty-nine times Z18
51 X25 plus half of Y23
53 Thirty-eight times a prime number
54 Four times a prime number

## Y Direction

1 X9 minus X36
2 Z 40 reversed
3 Three times a prime number
4 Twenty-seven times a prime number
5 A prime number
12 Y24 divided by X28
20 Mean of Y48 and Z32
23 Twenty times Z43
24 Y49 minus Y29
25 X35 plus Z45
26 Z34 minus Y24
28 Forty-seven times a prime number
29 A prime number
30 Twelve thousand nine hundred seventy-three less than Z11
32 Z32 plus Z34
38 A prime number
39 A prime number
40 Sixty-two times Y25
41 Thirty-four times a prime number
43 Twice a prime number
46 X22 times Z45
47 First two digits are the same as first two digits of X16
48 Three times a prime number
49 Z1 plus Z17
52 Twice a prime number

## Z Direction

1 Z 5 divided by Z16
3 Y4 plus Y1
5 X12 plus Y20
7 X44 minus Y32
8 Twenty-three times a square
9 Five times a prime number
10 Fourteen thousand six hundred twenty-eight more than X6
11 Thirteen thousand two hundred fifty-seven more than X27
12 X16 plus half of X1
13 Y2 minus Z37
14 Twice a prime number
15 X54 minus X31
16 Rearranged digits of Y24
17 Twenty-six times Z44
18 Y23 divided by seventy
19 A square
27 Twice the result of Z 14 minus Z11
28 A prime number
32 Y2 plus X21
33 A prime number
34 Nineteen times X28
37 Mean of Z18 and Z13
40 X28 minus Z18
43 X35 plus Y12
44 X21 minus Y2
45 A square

## Solution:



