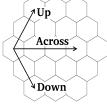
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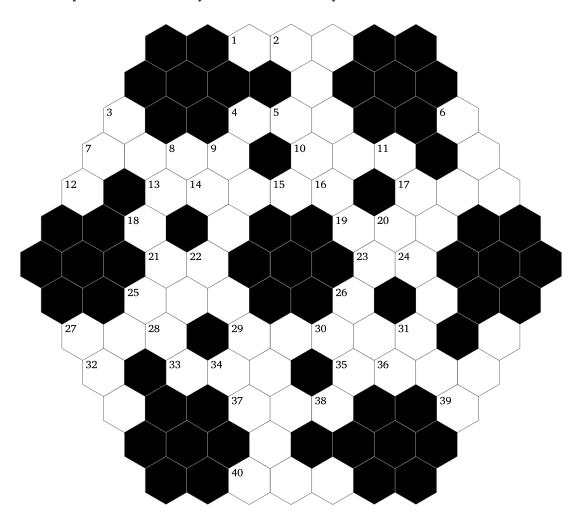
# **TripleCross - Challenging Puzzle #39**

This puzzle is like a crossword, but with numbers. Each digit occupies a hexagonal cell and can be a part of a "word" in the across, up, and down directions.

## **Rules:**

- 1. "Words" may not start with a zero.
- 2. "Words" in the 'across' direction read from left to right.
- 3. "Words" in the 'up' direction read along the upward diagonal to the right.
- 4. "Words" in the 'down' direction read along the downward diagonal to the right.
- 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.





#### Across

- 1 Twice the result of 7 across minus 18 up
- 4 25 down minus 9 down
- **7** 6 down plus 40 across
- 10 Mean of 34 down and 30 down
- 13 Thirty-seven times a prime number
- **17** 40 across minus 34 up
- **19** Three times a prime number
- **21** Twice a prime number
- 23 25 across minus 33 across
- 25 23 across plus 25 down
- **27** 16 up plus 20 down
- **29** Twice a prime number
- **33** 9 down plus 15 up
- **35** Twelve times a prime number
- **37** 7 across divided by five
- **40** Five times a prime number

### Up

- **5** 27 across minus 37 across
- 12 1 across minus 23 across
- 14 Mean of 25 across and 12 up
- 15 Mean of 17 across and 38 up
- **16** Half of 21 across
- **18** 27 across plus 21 across
- **24** Last two digits are the same as last two digits of 40 up
- **28** Five thousand six hundred nine less than 13 across
- **30** A prime number
- **32** Mean of 24 up and 16 up
- **34** 27 down divided by sixty-three
- **36** Half of 15 up, then subtract 37 across
- **37** Twice a square
- **38** 40 up minus 39 up
- **39** Mean of 5 up and 9 down
- **40** Six more than 27 down

#### Down

- 2 Seven times a prime number
- **3** Twice a prime number
- 5 22 down minus half of 20 down
- **6** 27 across minus 11 down
- 8 Four-fifths of 27 down
- 9 23 across minus 21 across
- 11 Mean of 10 across and 27 down
- 18 A prime number
- **20** Three times 1 across
- **22** Last two digits are the same as last two digits of 19 across
- **25** Twice the result of 37 up plus 26 down
- **26** A square
- **27** 18 up plus 30 down
- **30** 37 up divided by sixteen
- 31 Its digits total 30 down
- 34 40 across plus half of 38 up

# **Solution:**

