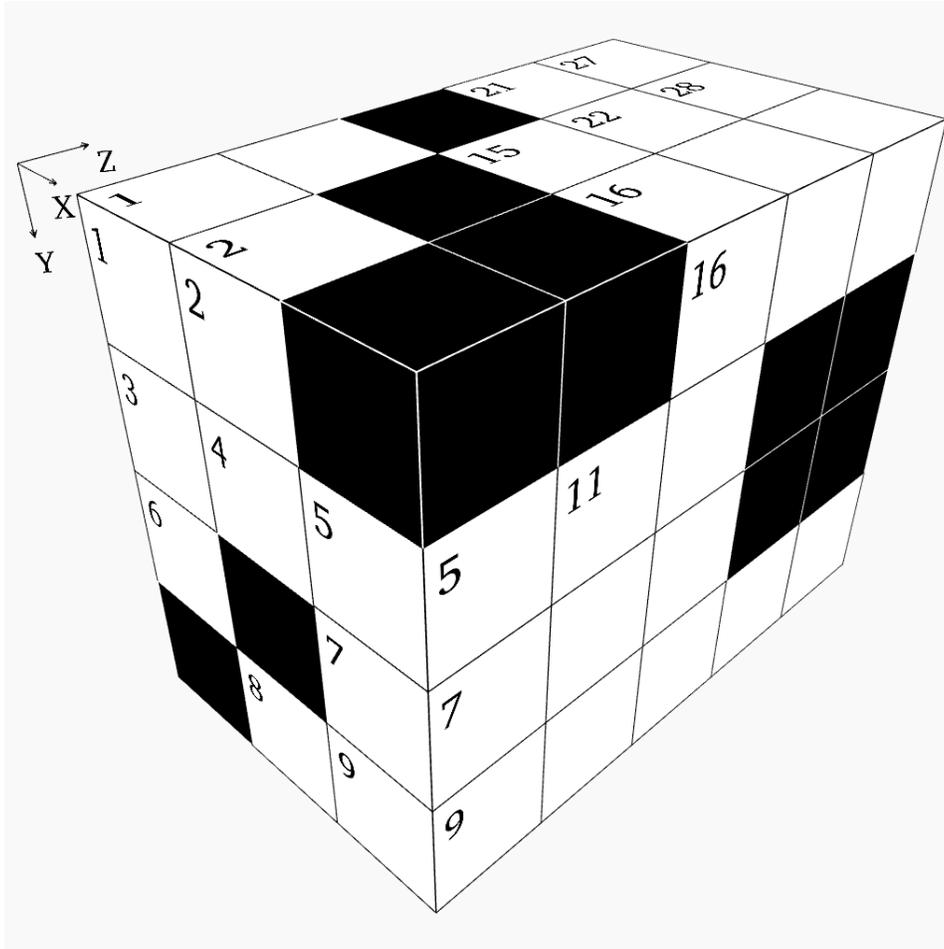


Box - Challenging Puzzle #18



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

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

X Direction

- 1 Mean of Z1 and Z4
- 3 X15 plus Z17
- 8 A square
- 10 Mean of Y2 and Y17
- 12 Twice a prime number
- 14 Mean of X25 and X8
- 15 Mean of X10 and X30
- 18 Z17 minus Z24
- 20 Twenty-seven times Y2
- 21 Z6 divided by Z5
- 23 Y17 minus X1
- 25 Four-fifths of Y19
- 26 Z4 plus Y11
- 27 Four times a prime number
- 29 Twice X25
- 30 Z15 divided by Y2

Y Direction

- 1 Z7 plus X25
- 2 X14 minus X1
- 5 X29 plus Z1
- 10 Z20 plus X20
- 11 Twice the result of Z16 minus X18
- 16 Thirteen times a prime number
- 17 Z20 minus X3
- 19 Mean of X8 and Z1
- 21 Fifty-two times X23
- 22 Twice a prime number
- 27 Seventy-nine times Z4
- 28 A prime number

Z Direction

- 1 Mean of X8 and Z24
- 4 A square
- 5 X23 plus X8
- 6 Last two digits are the same as X25
- 7 X27 plus X29
- 8 Ninety-one times X23
- 9 A prime number
- 13 Three times a prime number
- 15 Y28 minus Y1
- 16 Consecutive digits unordered
- 17 Half of X26, then subtract Z21
- 20 Z7 minus Z4
- 21 Mean of Z24 and Z4
- 24 X1 minus Y2

Solution:

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