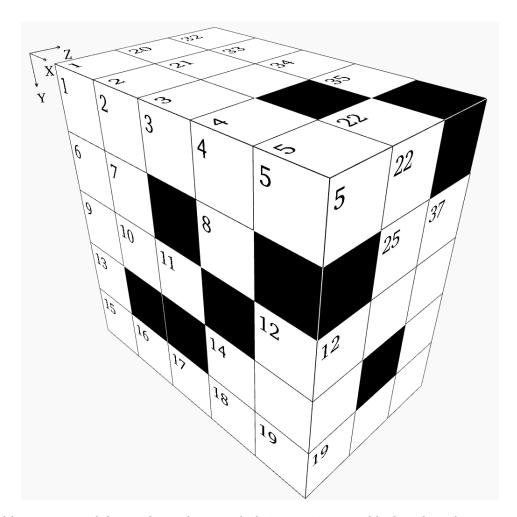


# **Box - Challenging Puzzle #42**



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	3	4	5	20	21			22	32	33	34	35	
6	7		8		23			24	25	36				37
9	10	11		12	26		27	28				38		
13			14		29	30				39	40		41	
15	16	17	18	19		31					42			

#### X Direction

- **1** X15 plus Y12
- 6 Mean of X41 and Z28
- **9** Twice the result of Z19 plus Z30
- **14** Y34 divided by Y4
- **15** Nine times a prime number
- **20** Z12 plus X9
- **23** Mean of Y14 and Z28
- 24 Three times Z25
- 26 X36 minus Y27
- 29 Three times a prime number
- **31** Twelve times a prime number
- **32** Five hundred eighty-eight less than Y37
- **36** Fourteen thousand seven hundred thirteen more than X15
- **38** Twice a prime number
- **39** Mean of X23 and X41
- **41** Mean of Z30 and Z28
- **42** Y35 divided by Z25

### **Y Direction**

- **1** Twice a prime number
- 2 Z8 minus half of X6
- **4** Y2 minus Z16
- 12 Mean of Z1 and Y4
- **14** X6 reversed
- 20 All digits are the same
- **21** X20 times Y14
- 22 Z1 minus half of Y33
- 24 Twice a prime number
- 27 X38 minus Y22
- **32** A square
- 33 Six times Z10
- **34** Forty-four times a prime number
- **35** Z5 times X42
- **37** Mean of Y24 and Z3
- **40** Z9 minus Z10

#### **Z** Direction

- 1 Rearranged digits of Z17
- **2** Twenty-nine times Y40
- **3** Z9 plus Z16
- 5 Same as Z25
- **6** Twice a prime number
- **7** Z14 plus Y4
- 8 Consecutive digits unordered
- **9** X23 minus Z30
- 10 Z13 divided by X23
- 11 A cube
- 12 Rearranged digits of Y12
- 13 Twenty-one times Z9
- **14** X9 plus X39
- **16** Z13 minus X14
- **17** Twice a prime number
- **18** Thirty-four times Z30
- **19** Three times a prime number
- **25** Y14 minus Z30
- **28** Y14 plus X14
- **30** Y14 minus Z5

# **Solution:**

4	9	9	1	2	6	2	6		4	3	8	8	5	
7	4		9		6	9		7	2	6	4	3	8	4
4	1	2		2	6	4	1	9	1			6	1	4
9			4	4	6	2	9	7		6	3		5	7
4	9	6	7	1		2	3	8	8		2	4	2	3