



Box - Challenging Puzzle #68

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

X Direction

- **1** Twice a prime number
- **6** Half of $\overline{X24}$, then subtract Z3
- 11 Mean of Z9 and Z16
- 14 Z31 plus X38
- 17 Y1 times Y20
- **21** Thirty-one times Z28
- **24** A square
- **26** A prime number
- 28 Mean of Y22 and Z12
- **30** Y32 times Y1
- 33 X11 minus X41
- 35 X38 plus Z27
- 36 Consecutive digits unordered
- 38 Twice Z13
- 40 Mean of X14 and Z15
- 41 A square

Y Direction

- 1 Z3 minus Z29
- **2** Twice the result of Y5 plus X26
- **3** Forty-nine times a prime number
- **4** Z5 minus Z10
- **5** Six thousand four hundred fifty-four less than Y22
- **20** X17 divided by Z1
- **21** Nine times a prime number
- **22** Twenty-seven times a prime number
- 23 Seven times Z4
- **25** One thousand eight hundred more than X36
- 28 Mean of X38 and Z9
- 32 Z13 times Y4
- 34 Z8 plus Z29
- **35** Twenty-four times a prime number
- **37** Mean of Z28 and Z18
- **39** A square

Z Direction

- 1 Z3 minus Z29
- 3 X11 minus Y4
- 4 Y4 times Z8
- 5 Z10 plus half of Y28
- **6** Z17 minus X14
- 7 Seventy-six times Z19
- 8 X33 minus X38
- **9** X11 minus Y34
- **10** Y20 times Y4
- **11** Y34 times Y4
- **12** Z6 plus Z10
- **13** Mean of Z19 and Z28 **14** Y4 plus X38
- **15** X11 minus Y4
- 16 Y34 plus X11
- 17 Mean of Y37 and Z5
- 18 Seventy-seven times Y4
- **19** X30 divided by Y32
- 27 Z6 divided by seven
- **28** Sum of digits in Y35
- **29** Mean of X41 and X11
- 31 Y34 minus Z29

Solution:

1	٩	8	1	4	3		6	5	1		1		4	8
3	9	1	1	4	7	8	4	0	0	8	8			F
	9	7		1		5	8	5	7	6	7	5	4	
	4	8		1	2	5	6	F	8	1			3	4
4	8	1		7	2	4	3	1		6	7		4	٩