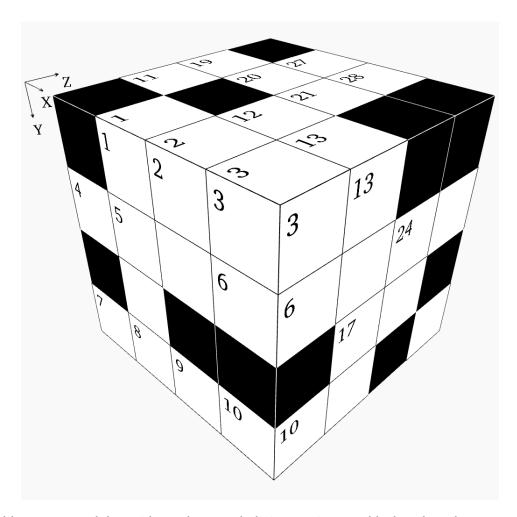


# **Cube - Challenging Puzzle #27**



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

	1	2	3	11	12	13	19	20	21			27	28	
4	5		6	14			22		23	24		29		
				15	16	17	25				30			
7	8	9	10	18			26				31			

#### **X** Direction

- 1 Z11 plus X27
- 4 Twenty-six times a prime number
- **7** Mean of Y2 and Y13
- **12** Mean of Z23 and Y21
- **14** Z10 minus Y30
- 16 Z20 minus Z23
- **18** Four times a prime number
- **19** Z9 divided by ten
- **22** Twenty-three times a prime number
- 25 Z3 minus X14
- **26** Z6 minus Y1
- 27 Mean of Y3 and Y2
- 29 Mean of X26 and Z15
- **31** Z17 plus half of Y19

#### **Y Direction**

- 1 Ninety-three times X14
- 2 Half of Y3, then subtract X16
- **3** Same as Z11
- **11** Six times a prime number
- 13 Twice the result of X7 minus X14
- 16 Y2 minus Z17
- 19 X27 plus Z9
- 20 Eighteen times a prime number
- **21** X14 plus X16
- **24** Y21 minus Z17
- **27** Y3 minus Y21
- 28 A square
- **30** Z15 divided by thirty-two

#### **Z** Direction

- **2** Half of Y20, then subtract Z20
- **3** Z9 divided by thirty-two
- 4 X12 plus X19
- 5 Eight hundred forty-five more than Z7
- **6** A prime number
- **7** X7 plus X1
- 8 One thousand four hundred thirty-seven less than X22
- **9** Y19 minus Y27
- 10 Half of X18, then subtract X4
- 11 X1 minus Y27
- 15 Twice the result of X19 plus Z23
- 17 Mean of X16 and X14
- **20** X12 plus Y2
- 23 A square

## **Solution:**

	1	3	8	8		4	5	2	7	2			5	6	
3	3	0	2	1	5		0	7	0	6	1		6	4	Ŧ
	9			6		1	1	Ŧ	0		3	2		0	
2	5	2	3	6	6	7	6	6	2	2		1	4	0	1