

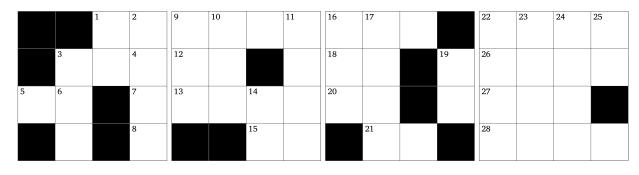
# Cube - Challenging Puzzle #31

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:



#### **X** Direction

- **1** X16 minus X15
- **3** X20 plus Z12
- 5 A square
- **9** X13 minus Z2
- 12 Y19 minus X1
- 13 Three hundred twenty-four less than Y2
- 15 Digits are the same as last two digits of Y11
- **16** Y17 divided by fourteen
- 18 X26 divided by sixty-seven
- 20 A square
- 21 Mean of Z8 and Y19
- **22** Fifty-four times a prime number
- **26** Fifteen times a prime number
- **27** Twice the result of X3 plus X21
- 28 Mean of Y22 and Y2

#### **Y** Direction

- **1** X21 minus X20
- **2** Four hundred twenty-three more than X9
- **3** Y11 minus X13
- **9** Thirteen times a prime number
- **10** Eight times a prime number
- 11 Five hundred twenty-six more than Z6 7 Z2 plus Y25
- 14 X16 minus Y1
- 16 Twice the result of X26 minus Y9
- **17** Z8 plus half of Y23
- 19 Z2 minus X20
- 22 One thousand nine hundred ninety-one less than X9
- **23** Eight times a prime number
- **24** Forty times a prime number
- 25 Mean of X15 and Y14

### **Z** Direction

- **1** A prime number
- **2** Mean of Z10 and Y25
- **3** First two digits are the same as X12
- **4** Twenty-five times a prime number
- **5** Ninety-three times a prime number
- 6 Sixty-seven more than X9
- 8 X12 minus Y1
- 9 X26 minus Y14
- 10 Mean of Y10 and Y19
- **12** X22 divided by eighteen
- 15 Half of X22, then subtract Z1
- 21 Z15 divided by twenty

# Solution:

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