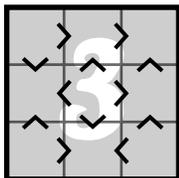


Advent Pieces

In today's puzzle piece for the sudoku calendar, greater-than and less-than signs have been placed on the borders between cells.



3 Arthur's hot cocoa either had caramel or raspberry mixed in.

Bonus Puzzles

Today's bonus puzzle is a small cryptic crossword puzzle. For those unfamiliar with the type, each clue contains a part that describes the answer, plus a cryptic definition that can involve wordplay or manipulation of the letters.

I've also included a hand-drawn maze, because heck yeah mazes.

Across

1. Troops from Massachusetts rinse off (7)
4. Sun god goes after leaderless cult to an extreme (5)
6. Inclined to make tea? (5)
7. Local denim hemmed with tranquility (7)

Down

1. Embezzled counterfeit U.S. dimes (7)
2. Crooked outer path (5)
3. Minimalist art within range (7)
5. To zap up a mineral (5)

