

## Instructions

Create a loop through the each of the grids provided following the clues given.

A cell containing a digit must be surrounded by that many pieces of fence.

Circled number pods must be inside the loop and show how many cells can be seen up, down, left, and right (plus itself) from that cell before reaching a fence.

Cacti must reside outside of the fence loop. Aliens must reside inside the loop.

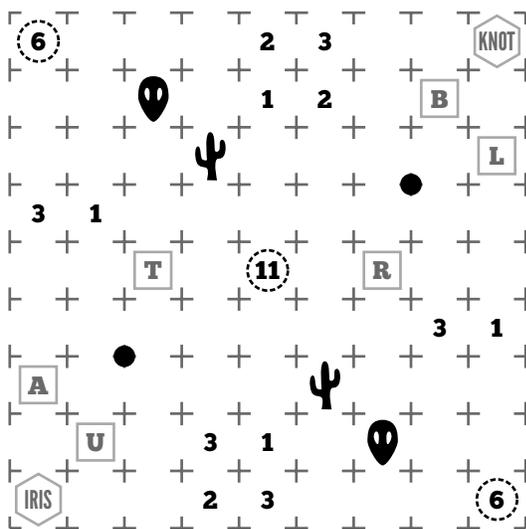
At shaded circles the fence must have a 90 degree turn with straight sections before and after.

At hollow circles the fence must continue straight with a turn before and/or after the circle.

EVERY GRID NODE must be included in the completed fence for each grid!

## It's Advent!

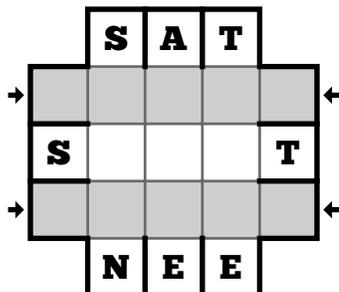
Throughout the 25 days of Advent at least one new Area 51 puzzle will be posted daily. Save your answers through to the end; you will need them to solve the meta!



## Bonus Puzzle

Today's bonus puzzle is a cramped crossword with an abstract component. The abstract component is one part trivia, one part wordplay. Once you've figured it out, enter it in the indicated rows and use the clues to solve the rest of the cramped crossword entries.

These were inspired by fellow puzzle author Redhead64, whose Patreon campaign with can be supported at <https://www.patreon.com/redhead64>



Fences around row 1 column 6 today

Kids' game boss that says what to do

Like most mobile phones these days

Succulent used for syrup and tequila

(See illustration at right.)

R	N	B	Q	K	B	N	R
P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
B		O			B		S
E		G			E		R
P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
R	N	B	Q	K	B	N	R