

## The Two-Trench Truce by Level 51

The 100th anniversary of the end of World War I just passed a few days ago! In memory of this, in this puzzle we're going to reconstruct an ancient war, as described by a veteran of the war itself. The grid will serve as our map of the battleground.

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(1) The war took place between two sides. Both sides claim they gained from the war, and each clue has also gained a letter. Taking the extraneous letters in order of the clues will show you what each side gained.

(2) The armies communicated by a simple code: for a clue numbered  $n$ , shift the clue's  $n$ -th alphanumeric character down by  $n$ . This will show you the story-teller's only source of comfort during the war, as well as indicate what he lost during the war.

(3) Once the battlefield was full, each side requisitioned some back-ups, which caused the inhabitants of exactly five cells to multiply accordingly. After performing this transformation, you'll be able to see the aftermath of the war, and adding one more upright line will show you who won!

### ACROSS

1. Uninitiated, done receiving student's cheer (3)
4. Scam transmission addressed originally to disco (3)
5. 110 sheltering Uno scientist Brian (3)

### DOWN

1. User's self-made persona consumes top gin fizz—in short, it's only natural! (2 1)
2. School, after mid-term: Seth up to John (3)
3. Life-tender with two of the same chromosome, briefly! (2'1)