


Shading the letter pattern as in the grid gives multiple messages:
"TWO X'S ARE GIVEN WHITES", "BLACK CELLS ARE OF SNAKE", "SNAKE COUNT IS FORTY SIX".

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| E | R | A | I | X | A | V | I | E | L |
| B | E | A | K | A | C | E | A | W | E |
| G | H | R | A | B | E | N | A | H | S |
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Marking the two X letters as white and the other marked squares in the diamond shape as black/white as in the Nurikabe allows solving this grid as a 46 -cell snake. Marking in the snake and reading along the path gives "Tapa, Kurotto, Nuribake, Cave, Snake, what are missing here?" LIGHT AND SHADOW are the missing words/puzzle and represent the answer to this challenge.

