Warm-Up 11 Solutions

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Since there are 10 bottles and one bottle of water, the probability is





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An isosceles triangle has two sides with the same length. The candidates for side lengths are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, and 19. Note that 5 + 5 + 13 = 23 but these can not be the side lengths of a triangle (why?). Experimentation shows that the smallest perimeter is obtained with lengths 11, 11, and 2, which sum to 24.

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$$990 + x - (100x + 99) = 990 - 99 + (x - 100x) = 891 - 99x = 396$$
$$99x = 891 - 396 = 495 \implies x = \frac{495}{99} = 5$$

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To make the larger of the two numbers as large as possible, let's try writing it as "99x" where x is the unknown 1's digit. The smaller of the two numbers will be "x99". Since the 1's digit of the difference must be 6, x must be 5. So the original number is 995 and its mirror image is 599. Their difference is indeed 995 - 599 = 396, as required.

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As shown, there are four center-to-center increments that measure 20 feet, so a single center-to-center distance is 5 feet. For 25 bags, there will be 24 increments, so the distance is $24 \times 5 = 120$ feet.

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+ H	0	8	9
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We know that A \neq 6 because otherwise, the tens column of the sum shows that K would have to be 7, which has already been used.

Problem 5, Continued

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Case 1: A = 5

Then K is 6 and we're carrying a 1 to the hundreds column. Since 1 + 5 + O = 7 in the hundreds column, then O is 1. We can not make 9 from the sum of T and H in the thousands column, because the digits 9, 8, 7, 6, and 5 have already been used. We conclude that A \neq 5.

Case 2: A = 4

Then K is 5 and we're carrying a 1 to the hundreds column. Since 1 + 4 + O = 7 in the hundreds column, then O is 2. We can make 9 from the sum of T = 6 and H = 3.

The value of EXAM is maximized at 9748

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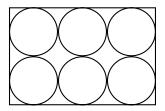
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No prime number is abundant since the only proper factor of a prime number is 1. (A proper factor of a number is a factor which is less than the m number itself.) We start by examining 4, the smallest composite number not a multiple of 6.

Number	Sum of Proper Factors
4	1 + 2 = 3 < 4
8	1 + 2 + 4 = 7 < 8
10	1 + 2 + 5 = 8 < 10
14	1 + 2 + 4 + 7 = 14
15	1 + 3 + 5 = 9 < 15
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20	1 + 2 + 4 + 5 + 10 = 22 > 20

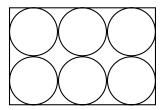
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The total area occupied by the circles is

$$6\pi r^2 = 150\pi \implies r^2 = \frac{150}{6} = 25 \implies r = 5$$

where r is the radius of the circles. The area of the rectangle is

$$A = 6r \times 4r = 30 \times 20 = 600$$

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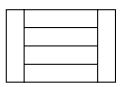
$$n(n + 1)(n + 2) = 33(n + n + 1 + n + 2)$$

n(n + 1)(n + 2) = 33(3n + 3) = 99n + 99 = 99(n + 1)
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We can guess and check that n = 9, n + 2 = 11 works, so the sum of the three integers is 9 + 10 + 11 = 30.

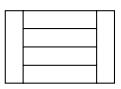
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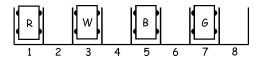
If *L* and *W* are the length and width of a single rectangle, then L = 4W and the total area of the six rectangles is

$$6LW = 600 \implies LW = 100 \implies 4W^2 = 100 \implies W^2 = 25$$

so that W = 5 and L = 4W = 20. The perimeter of the paver is then

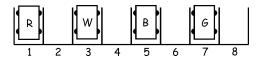
$$P = 4L + 4W = 4(L + W) = 4(20 + 5) = 100$$

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First, we make a list of the possible parking positions that could be occupied: 1357, 1358, 1368, 1468, 2468.

So there are 5 possible selections of parking spaces. For each of these selections, the four cars can be arranged in $4! = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = 24$ different ways. So the total number of ways the cars can be parked is $5 \times 24 = 120$.