

THE ELITE THINKING EXPEDITION 2027

A WEEKLY JOURNEY TO OC & SELECTIVE SUCCESS

OPPORTUNITY CLASS ANSWER PACK

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EXPEDITION CHECKPOINT

32 weeks to Selective

33 weeks to OC

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OPPORTUNITY CLASS

ANSWERS AND EXPLANATIONS

QUESTION 1

ANSWER: C**Step 1 - Understand the question**

The school claims that using only the app will make communication more reliable.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Look for a practical fact that stops the plan from achieving its purpose.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

If some families cannot reliably open the app, an instant message may never reach them. That directly weakens the claim about reliable communication.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

C. Some families may not be able to receive the app messages reliably.

QUESTION 2

ANSWER: C**Step 1 - Understand the question**

It must pass both checks, not just one.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

From the FRONT, take the greatest number in each vertical column. From the RIGHT, take the greatest number in each row, starting at the FRONT edge.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

The front column maxima are 2, 3, 2. The right row maxima from front to back are 2, 3, 1. A reverses the right view. B changes the last front height. D lowers the middle front height. Only C matches both.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

C. Option C gives both correct views.

QUESTION 3

ANSWER: A**Step 1 - Understand the question**

Kira is found after the other matches remove her remaining choices.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Make a matching grid. Enter Ivan first, then find Hana, and use the two workshops left for Jett and Kira.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

Ivan chose drama. Hana cannot choose art or music, so Hana must choose coding. Art and music remain for Jett and Kira. Kira did not choose music, so Kira must choose art.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

A. Kira chose art.

QUESTION 4

ANSWER: C**Step 1 - Understand the question**

Test each student through their assigned desk.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Assume each desk number in turn. Check all four statements and count how many are true. Keep the case with exactly two true statements.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

Desk 1 makes three statements true. Desk 2 makes one true. Desk 3 makes exactly two true: it is odd and greater than 2, while it is not Desk 1 or 4 and the final statement is false. Desk 4 makes three statements true.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

C. Chen worked at Desk 3, the only case producing exactly two true statements.

QUESTION 5

ANSWER: C**Step 1 - Understand the question**

Only compare the two routes from the pond to the hall.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Add the ordinary route sections, then subtract the shortcut distance.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

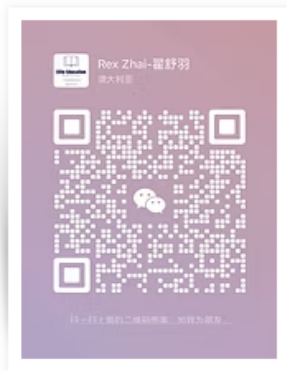
Pond to garden to hall is $95 + 125 = 220$ m. The shortcut is 170 m, so it saves $220 - 170 = 50$ m.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

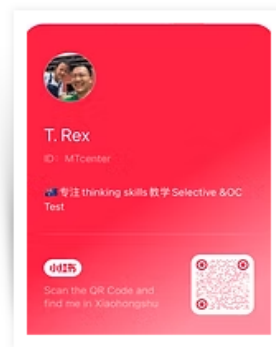
C. The shortcut saves 50 m.

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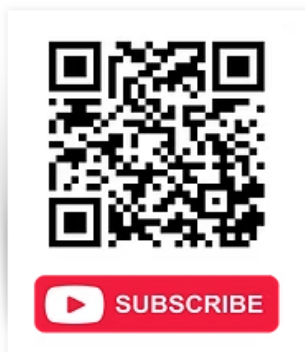
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