

THE ELITE THINKING EXPEDITION 2027

A WEEKLY JOURNEY TO OC & SELECTIVE SUCCESS

SELECTIVE ANSWER PACK

10 September 2026 · TS27-20260910-V20 · FINAL RELEASE



EXPEDITION CHECKPOINT

32 weeks to Selective

33 weeks to OC

Provisional May 2027 dates - updated when the official schedule is published

SELECTIVE

ANSWERS AND EXPLANATIONS

QUESTION 1

ANSWER: B

Step 1 - Understand the question

The council says the lighting caused the reduction in damage.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Look for another change at the same time that could explain the result.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

The new security patrol could have discouraged damage. This gives a strong competing explanation for the fall in reports.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

B. The patrol may have caused the improvement instead.

QUESTION 2

ANSWER: D

Step 1 - Understand the question

The RIGHT view reads the greatest number in each row from front to back.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Use the labelled edges. Compare the three column maxima with the front view, then compare the row maxima from bottom to top with the right view.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

Option D has column maxima 1, 3, 2, matching the front view. Its row maxima from the FRONT edge to the back are 2, 3, 1, matching the right view. Every other option fails at least one list.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

D. Option D matches both labelled views.

QUESTION 3

ANSWER: D

Step 1 - Understand the question

Some clues link an animal directly to a colour.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Use one combined grid. Enter fixed matches, then carry animal-colour links across to the person rows.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

Musa has owl. Niko cannot have dingo or wombat, and owl is used, so Niko has koala and therefore gold. Lani is not koala and cannot use blue or red. Gold is used, so Lani uses green. The green camera studied wombat, so Lani studied wombat.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

D. Lani studied the wombat.

QUESTION 4

ANSWER: B

Step 1 - Understand the question

First find the cases in which exactly two statements are true. Then check whether the suspected thief's own statement is one of those true statements.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Assume each student took the medal. Use that student's locker colour and symbol to test all four statements, count the true statements, and finally test the thief's own statement.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

Farah gives three true statements. Gio gives exactly two: Farah and Gio speak truly, so Gio also satisfies the condition that the thief told the truth. Hugo also gives two true statements, but Hugo's own red-or-yellow statement is false for his green locker. Indi gives only one true statement.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

B. Gio is the only student who makes exactly two statements true and whose own statement is true.

QUESTION 5

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

The deadline is arrival at the event, so include both the ferry trip and the walk.

Step 2 - Use the strategy

Work backwards from 10:05 am. First subtract the walk, then subtract the ferry trip. Finally choose the latest real departure in the 18-minute timetable.

Step 3 - Apply the strategy

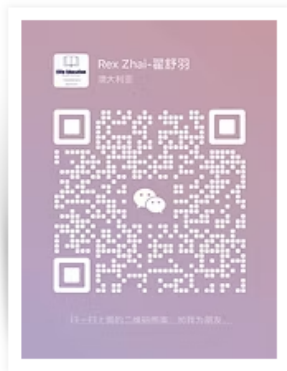
10:05 am minus 12 minutes is 9:53 am, so they must reach Island Pier by 9:53 am. Subtracting the 47-minute ferry trip gives 9:06 am. The departures are 8:00, 8:18, 8:36, 8:54 and 9:12, so the latest one not after 9:06 is 8:54 am.

Step 4 - Confirm the answer

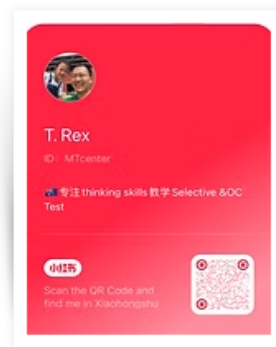
A. The latest ferry is 8:54 am.

STAY CONNECTED WITH ELITE EDUCATION

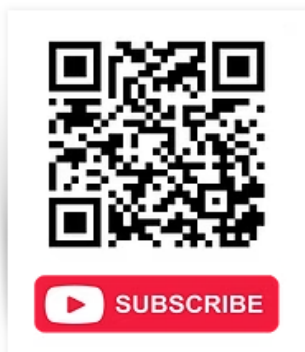
Follow our channels for new questions, teaching guidance and program updates.



@Thinking_Skills



@MTcenter



@Thinkingskillsa



info@eliteeducations.com.au

Answers and four-step explanations

www.eliteeducations.com.au/freeshare/expedition