

Laptops

Situation Statement

Jessica is a professional photographer. She is looking for a new computer with a bigger screen so that she can edit photos for her clients easier. Jessica would also like it to be light weight for traveling and packing purposes. She needs it to have plenty of memory. Also, she would like to be able to use the computer without having to worry about plugging it in to charge all the time. Jessica's budget is \$850.



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2024 Practice Classes

#1 Dell Inspiron Laptop AMD A8 Series



- 17.3" Screen Size
- Battery Life 8.5 Hours
- 8 GB memory
- 5.36 lbs.
- 1 TB hard drive for ample file storage space
- 1600 x 900 HD screen resolution
- Connect to accessories using the Bluetooth interface or USB ports, and easily stream videos and browse the Web using built-in Wi-Fi
- AMD A-8 Series processor
- Built in speakers
- \$599.99

#2 HP Intel Core i3 Laptop



- 15.6" Screen Size
- Battery Life 8.5 Hours
- 6 GB memory
- 4.73 lbs.
- 1 TB hard drive
- 5th Gen Intel Core I3 processor
- Cloud support
- Built-in front-facing VGA webcam with integrated digital microphone
- \$399.99

#3 Acer Granite C29ff Chromebook



- 11.6" screen size
- Battery life 9 hours
- 2 GB memory
- 6.0 lbs.
- LED backlight
- Intel Celeron 2955U Dual-Core processor
- \$214.65

#4 Apple MacBook Air



- 11.6" screen size
- Battery life 9 hours
- 4 GB memory
- 3.38 lbs.
- Intel HD Graphics 6000
- Ultrafast all-flash storage
- 720p FaceTime HD camera
- High resolution display
- \$849.99

Placing: 1-2-4-3

Cuts: 1,2,3

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
1,2	1 has the largest screen, 8 GB of memory and battery life of 8.5 hours	2 is lighter in weight	2 does not have the screen size and memory desirable for editing needs
Middle Pair			
2,4	2 has a bigger screen size, 2 GB more memory, and 1 TB hard drive	4 has a slightly higher battery life and lighter	4 is smaller in terms of screen size and more expensive
Bottom Pair			
4,3	4 has more memory and is the lightest computer	3 is the least expensive	3 lacks the memory and is the heaviest computer

Sandals

Situation Statement

Maria, a middle school student, enjoys walking and hiking. She also likes summer water sports such as kayaking and tubing. She wants to find a pair of women's sandals that will work well in both dry and wet conditions. Maria would like to find a supportive pair of sandals with a backstrap to keep the sandals secure on her feet. Her budget for the sandals is \$100. However, she is willing to spend a little more for a quality sandal that will last for a longer time.

#1 Keen Whisper Sandals



- Cost is \$85.97
- Polyester webbing uppers for lightweight performance
- Anti-chafing liners dry fast
- Contoured fit with a lace-lock bungee system
- EVA insoles provide arch support
- Non-marking KEEN.FUSION rubber outsoles
- Eco Odor-Fighting finish
- Provides comfort and protection for a variety of terrains

#2 Teva Women's Hurricane 4



- Cost is \$40.79
- Easy hook-and-loop closure comes on and off quickly and gets the fit just right
- Nylon shank stabilizes and supports your foot on uneven terrain, Molded EVA midsole
- Rubber outsole for durability and traction
- Sustainability Initiative(s): vegan, webbing made from recycled plastic using traceable, verifiable REPREEVE polyester yarn by Unifi
- Best for: light hikes
- Not water resistant (fabric straps will absorb water, but dry later)
- Backstrap on sandal

#3 Chaco Women's Z/Cloud



- Cost is \$104.99
- Soft comfort with the ultra-soft PU footbed that supports your feet all day
- Adjustable, high-tensile webbing straps that give a secure hold for any foot shape
- Arch support from the podiatrist-certified LUVSEAT™ PU footbed
- Durability ensures these sandals are fit for any adventure
- Grippy performance rubber outsoles deliver superior traction on all types of terrain, wet or dry
- Eco-conscious adventurers will appreciate the 100% vegan construction
- Backstrap on sandal

#4 Skechers GoWalk Flex Arch Fit Slide Sandals



- Price is \$62.98
- Comfortable slip-on sandals
- Breathable knit strap across the foot
- Style: Sweet B
- Machine-washable knit textile upper, vegan
- ArchFit contoured footbed
- Approximately 1-1/2"H heel
- Fit: true to size

Placing: 1-3-2-4

Cuts: 1,2,3

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
1,3	1 meets all requirements for budget, appropriate for wet/dry terrain, and supportive sandal	3 meets most requirements	3 is not as protective for the feet and slightly over budget
Middle Pair			
3,2	3 works in wet or dry terrains	2 is less expensive and best for hiking	2 fabric strap is not water resistant and not best for wet/dry terrains
Bottom Pair			
2,4	2 has a backstrap	4 is comfortable and supportive on the feet	4 has no backstrap which is needed to secure the shoe to the feet

Energy Drinks Situation Statement

Alex is searching for a nutritional drink to boost his energy levels. He is active in track and field activities and runs frequently. Alex prefers fruity flavors. He has about \$25 budgeted for this expense. He plans to purchase a package of drinks to get a better value than buying each one individually. While seeking something to provide energy, he also wants to limit caffeine, sodium, and sugar as much as possible.

#1 Hiball Energy Drink



- Energy Seltzer water with Blood Orange natural flavor
- Package of 8 for \$22.79, 16 Fluid Ounces (\$0.18 per ounce)
- Sugar Free, Gluten Free, Sodium Free, Vegan, and Keto
- 160 mg of caffeine per drink
- Contains vitamins B12 and B6

#2 Aspire Energy Drink



- Mixed Berry Flavored sparkling water
- Package of 12 for \$24.99, 12 fluid ounces (\$0.17 per ounce)
- Sugar free, Keto, 0 calories
- 80 mg of natural caffeine
- Vitamins B6, B12, and C
- 55 mg of sodium

#3 Oca Guava Passion Fruit



Nutrition Facts	
1 serving per container	
Serving size 12 fl. oz. (355mL)	
Amount per serving	
Calories	60
% Daily Value *	
Total Fat 0g	0%
Sodium 15mg	1%
Total Carbohydrate 15g	5%
Dietary Fiber 0g	0%
Total Sugars 9g	
Includes 9g Added Sugars 18%	
Protein 0g	
Not a significant source of saturated fat, trans fat, cholesterol, vitamin D, calcium, iron and potassium.	
<small>*The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.</small>	

- Plant-Based Energy Drink with natural flavor and sweetener
- Package of 12 for \$32.99, 12 fluid ounces (\$0.25 per ounce)
- Allergen-free, Vegan, Organic
- 120 mg of natural caffeine
- Not a significant source of Vitamins
- 15 mg of sodium

#4 Heywell Energy Focus Drink



CONTAINS 5% JUICE

Nutrition Facts	
Serving size	1 Can
Amount per serving	
Calories	10
% Daily Value	
Total Fat 0g	0%
Sodium 0mg	0%
Total Carbohydrate 7g	3%
Total Sugars 1g	
Includes 0g Added Sugars 0%	
Protein 0g	0%
Vitamin C 88mg 100% • Niacin 12mg 80%	
Magnesium 22mg 6%	
Not a significant source of saturated fat, trans fat, cholesterol, dietary fiber, vit D, calcium, iron and potassium	

- Strawberry Lemon flavored sparkling energy drink
- Package of 12 for \$16.99, 12 fluid ounces (\$0.12 per ounce)
- Organic, Vegan, Gluten Free, Dairy Free, Sodium Free
- 75 mg of caffeine
- 1 gram of sugar, 10 calories
- Meets 100% of recommended daily allowance for vitamin C

Placing: 4-2-1-3

Cuts: 1,2,3

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
4,2	The cost of 4 is lower than 2 and 4 has less caffeine	2 meets cost requirements and is sugar free	2 has 55 mg of sodium and slightly higher in caffeine.
Middle Pair			
2,1	2 is lower in caffeine. 2 is also slightly less expensive per ounce	1 is sodium free	1 has double the amount of caffeine of 2
Bottom Pair			
1,3	1 meets cost requirements and is lower in sugar and sodium	3 has less caffeine than 2	3 is over budget

Fitness Equipment Situation Statement

Ryan is looking to purchase a new rowing machine for his at home gym. The one he previously had was a water rower. He is looking into getting a magnetic one, as it's known for having constant resistance and is quieter than other models. He would like a machine that has a manufacturer's warranty in case anything happens. Since he has other things in his at-home gym, he would like it to be foldable. His budget for a new rower is \$250.

#1 Panana Magnetic Rowing Machine



- Durable aluminum and steel construction could hold weight up to 300lbs. The non-contact magnetic resistance system delivers a virtually silent rowing experience. High-density steel reduces noise, changing your daily rowing into pleasure.
- The LCD monitor clearly displays the rowing data which shows scan, time, distance, count, calories, and total. Count to track your progress as you row. It has a device holder which you can put a phone or iPad on, to enjoy the videos or music.
- The rowing machine features 8 constant resistance levels. It engages 92% of muscle groups, striking a balance between aerobic and strength training, providing perfect training intensity for physical therapy, fat burning, and endurance enhancement.
- Convenient folding rower machine folds upright. Great for smaller in-home gyms. Operating without electrical source, with the aid of transport wheels, you can effortlessly relocate it to any desired position.
- \$132.99

#2 UTRYUP R05 Power



- With an LCD Intelligent Display, you can keep track of distance, time, calories, average BPM, and more in real-time. Monitor your progress and stay motivated to achieve your goals.
- Our Bluetooth-connected app provides access to professional rowing training courses, ranging from HIIT workouts to fat-burning programs.
- Easy to use and store: The UTRYUP rowing machine comes 90% pre-assembled, allowing for easy installation in just 20 minutes. It is equipped with front base transport wheels and a vertical storage design, making it effortless to move, fold, store, and use even in small spaces.
- Outstanding Service: UTRYUP provides a one-year manufacturer's warranty on all products, ensuring your satisfaction.
- \$169.99

#3 Niceday Rowing Machine



- Magnetic Engine Niceday Rowing Machine boasts a 16LBS flywheel and high energy magnets, increased resistance upper limit to 66LBS, bringing boundless possibilities to your workout. The sturdy construction and premium materials are aimed at long-term durability, accompanying you on your journey to becoming a better version of yourself.
- Niceday's partnership with Kinomap ensures that your workouts are never dull. With thousands of videos, your workouts become endlessly engaging. Passionate exercise challenges make your fitness journey less solitary. The digital monitor accurately records every achievement, including time, count, speed, distance, calories, and total distance.
- The Niceday Rowing Machine arrives with 90% of the assembly completed and includes all essential tools. With a comprehensive user manual and installation video guiding you, the setup can be effortlessly completed within just 20 minutes. Get your rowing workout started with ease.
- The Niceday Rowing Machine demands only a compact 200*50cm exercise area. Its upright storage design takes up a mere 0.26 square feet. Operating without electrical source and with the aid of transport wheels, you can effortlessly relocate it to any desired position. It stands out as the ideal fitness equipment for confined workout spaces.

• \$199.99

Fitness Equipment

#4 YOSUDA Magnetic Rowing Machine



- Equipped with a 10-lb flywheel and high-quality magnetic control system, this rower machine provides plenty of resistance. With 16 levels that nicely transition resistance, users can get an effective workout whether they are a beginner or an advanced user. YOSUDA will be a good companion as your first rower.
- The non-contact magnetic resistance system delivers a virtually silent rowing experience. High-density steel reduces noise, changing your daily rowing into pleasure. Whether in the early morning or after work, you can enjoy your workout without worries. Choose a rower that can grow with you from beginner to advanced.
- The 3.45-inch LCD monitor clearly displays the rowing data. You can put a phone or tablet on the holder to enjoy videos or music.
- With a small footprint, YOSUDA magnetic rowing machine will save you 70% storage space, as it's foldable after being stowed upright. Two big transportation wheels make it easier to move your rowing machine around when you finish your workout.
- \$199.99

Placing: 2-1-4-3

Cuts: 1,2,2

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
2,1	2 has all the things that are needed in the scenario	1 is the cheapest	1 doesn't include a warranty
Middle Pair			
1,4	1 is cheaper than 4	4 has all the other characteristics needed	4 is one of the most expensive
Bottom Pair			
4,3	4 is foldable	3 is the same price as 4	3 isn't foldable or doesn't include the warranty

Food Delivery Service Situation Statement

Darius is moving in the fall for his first year of college. Due to the high cost of parking a car on campus, he will be leaving his vehicle at home and living in the dorms. His parents have purchased a meal plan, but it does not always offer meals on the weekend. He is doing some research ahead of time to be able to order delivery meals. His budget for this expense is limited, so he needs to spend his money wisely. Darius would like to be able to cancel his membership for a meal service easily, with no penalty fees.

#1 Door Dash



Fees:

- Membership Fee: \$96 annually or \$9.99 per month for members, providing \$0 delivery fees; \$48 annually for students or \$4.99 per month; free cancellation at any time before next renewal date
- Base price of food
- Service Fees: a flat, minimum fee for small orders, may increase for larger orders
- Delivery Fees: depends on merchant, location, and other factors, \$0 for members
- Small Order Fees: may be charged if order is below a certain cost
- Regulatory Response Fees: charged by state or local community due to regulations

#2 Uber Eats

The Uber Eats logo is displayed within a solid orange rectangular background. The text "Uber Eats" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font, centered horizontally and vertically within the orange box.

Fees:

- Membership Fee is \$9.99 per month or \$96 annually, membership can be cancelled at any time
- Base price of food
- Delivery Fees: vary based on location, restaurant's distance, and Uber's fee policy, typically under \$5
- Service Fees: range from 15% to 30% of total order, covers administrative costs like payment processing, customer support, and marketing
- Other Fees to include possible Small Order Fees (if order is not a minimum dollar amount), Busy Fee (when demand exceeds driver availability), Fees for canceling or changing orders, Tips, and Taxes

#3 Grub Hub



Fees:

- Membership Fee for GrubHub+ is \$9.99 per month which will grant customers free delivery to orders over \$12; free cancellation
- Base price of food
- Delivery fee for non-members is typically between \$2-\$5, but can be anywhere from \$1 to \$12
- Service Fee: average minimum of \$1.50; this cost is usually 2.9% of the total cart value
- Tips and taxes added

#4 Postmates

Postmates

Fees:

- Postmates Unlimited Membership Fee is \$9.99 per month/\$95.88 per year, which offers free delivery for orders over \$15
- Delivery fee for non-members is \$1.99 to \$3.99 and \$5.99 to \$9.99 for all other members
- Service fee, which is a percentage, varies; if member, these fees are waived
- Small cart fee of \$1.99 if order is not over \$12.00
- Membership can be cancelled 48 hours before next subscription payment without charge

Placing: 1-3-4-2

Cuts: 1,2,3

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
1,3	1 provided the cheapest option, free cancellation, and lowest delivery fees	3 had no cancellation fees	3 is more expensive and has other outside fees
Middle Pair			
3,4	3 doesn't lock you into a yearly commitment. Delivery fees and other fees are cheaper	4 doesn't penalize for cancellation and is the second cheapest option	4 penalizes for a small cart fee
Bottom Pair			
4,2	4 is slightly cheaper than 2 and clearly lays out all fees	2 clearly states what their fees percentages are coming from	2 charges between 15-30% in service fees

Carry-On Luggage Situation Statement

Sarah is going to camp this summer. She wants to purchase a duffle bag to pack her clothes for camp. Sarah has \$50 to spend on her bag. She is planning to pack a lot of clothes, so she would like her bag to have wheels to help her move it. Since her favorite color is red, she would like a red duffle bag.

#1 Adidas Duffle Bag



- Zipper main compartment with zipper mesh valuable pocket and key fob; easy-access front pocket; wet/dry shoe tunnel with mesh panel for ventilation
- FreshPak is a unique technology which inhibits odor-causing bacteria. Your bag and gear stay fresher, longer.
- Removable, dual adjustable shoulder strap
- No-slip contoured shoulder pad
- Wrapped haul handles
- Available in black/white
- Screen-printed adidas brand mark on front, end caps and shoulder pad; screen-printed 3-stripes on front
- Dimensions: 26" x 12.5" x 12"
- Polyester doobby
- \$30.00

#2 Samsonite Casual Wheeled Duffel



- Constructed of Samsonite's ballistic polyester
- Push button locking handle
- Extra carry handles on side and top of duffel
- Padded Velcro carry grip for comfortable carrying
- Smooth rolling in-line wheels
- Available in red/black/gray
- Heavy-duty, self mending, nylon zippers on main compartment
- Dual adjustable compression straps help to secure packed items
- Quick release buckles on nylon compression straps
- Bottom feet keep duffel lifted off floor when laying down flat
- Drop bottom/split case features
- Large wet pocket
- \$64.99

#3 Coolstuff4u Giraffe Print Wheeled Suitcase



- Made of leather-like black and white PVC vinyl, with hot pink vinyl trim; the suitcase has an animal skin texture
- Features an expander zipper, which gives an extra 3 inches in space
- It has double zippers, which can be locked together
- ID holder on the back
- The suitcase has wheels, a telescoping handle, and strap handle for easy carrying
- The pink nylon interior features a mesh pocket with a zipper closure and crossed elastic straps to keep belongings secure
- The exterior dimensions are 22 inches tall, 14 inches wide, and 8 inches deep
- \$60.00

Carry-On Luggage

#4 CalPak Artic Circle Wheeled Duffle



- Product Material: Rip stop with polyester
- Product weight: 10.16 lbs.
- Roomy main compartment is great for bulky clothing or gear
- In-line skate wheel system with ball bearings for smooth, quiet rolling
- Longer handle is more comfortable across a variety of heights
- Available in red/black/grey
- 2 zippered pockets on the side plus 3 additional zippered pockets on the front
- Side cargo handle aids in short lifts
- Self-repairing excel zippers
- \$43.99

Placing: 4-1-2-3

Cuts: 1,2,2

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
4,1	4 is available in the color red and has wheels	1 is cheaper	1 is only available in black and no wheels
Middle Pair			
1,2	1 is \$30	2 has wheels and is available in red	2 cost \$64.99
Bottom Pair			
2,3	2 is available in red and is a duffle bag	3 is slightly cheaper	3 is a suitcase and isn't red