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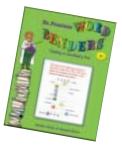
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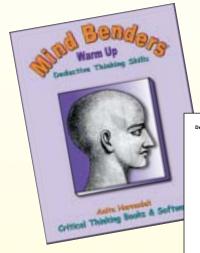
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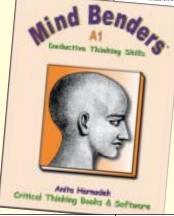


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- 17. Bryce and Alicia are a waitress and a waiter. Who has which job?
- 18. Rocky and Terrible are a bird and an elephant. Rocky weighs more than Terrible. Who is what?
- 19. If Randy were 5 cm taller, his height would be 89 cm. How tall is he?
- 20. If Rod were 10 cm shorter, he would be the same height as Stacy. Stacy is 67 cm tall. How tall is Rod?

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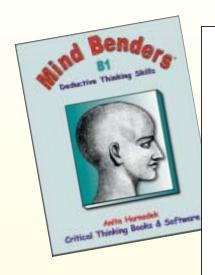
A cat, a small dog, a goat, and a horse are named Angel, Beauty, King, and Rover. Read the clues below to find each animal's name.

- King is smaller than both the dog and Rover.
- 2. The horse is younger than Angel.
- 3. Beauty is the oldest and is a good friend of the dog.

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2. Around the World

André, Barney, Cleo, and Dixie, whose last names are North, Olsen, Partin, and Ryan, live in Egypt, France, India, and Mexico. Use the clues below to match up everything.

- 1. Cleo and North and the Asian are pen pals.
- Ryan has never written to any of the other three people.
- 3. The Frenchman wants to meet André.
- Olsen and the Indian talked to each other on the telephone.
- The Mexican woman saw Dixie's picture in the paper.
- 6. André is not the Egyptian.
- 7. Dixie is not North.

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From the information below, match up everything.

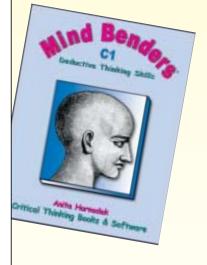
- 1. Fletcher's student is 3/4 as old as Corning.
- 2. Almont uses a stethoscope for her project.
- 3. Zachariah is neither the oldest nor the youngest.
- 4. Wanda is a year older than the girl who is entering the rock collection.
- 5. Garner's student is not the one doing the sunlight study.
- Bettcher thinks his project and the project of Ignash's student will both win first prizes.
- 7 Yuan-Tung is older than Ignash's and Elworth's students.

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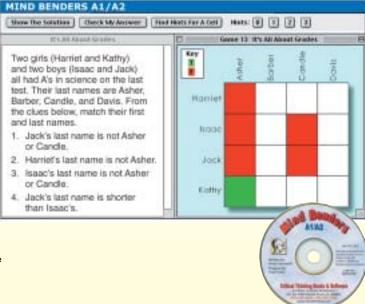
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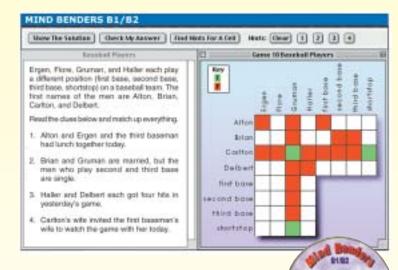


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