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Pseudocode: Awarding three prizes

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- After scanning all cards, we have three prize winning totals
 - But who are the winners?
 - Keep track of card number of prize winners

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```
max = 0
```

```
secondmax = 0
```

```
thirdmax = 0
```

```
maxid = -1
```

```
secondmaxid = -1
```

```
thirdmaxid = -1
```


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⟨ Initialization of max, maxid etc ⟩

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maths3 = TopThreeMarks(Maths)
```

```
phys3 = TopThreeMarks(Physics)
```

```
chem3 = TopThreeMarks(Chemistry)
```

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```
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```
while (Pile 1 has more cards) {
```

```
    Pick a card X from Pile 1
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        }
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- In the end, we have what we need

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    Pick a card X from Pile 1  
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}  
}
```

Variables of interest

- maxid, max
- secondmaxid, secondmax
- thirdmaxid, thirdmax

Subject topper

- Compare each subject's marks on card with third highest

Procedure SubjectTopper (Card, MMark, PMark, CMark)

```
if ( Card.Maths  $\geq$  MMark or  
    Card.Physics  $\geq$  PMark or  
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    return(True)  
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else {  
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`if (SubjectTopper(X,M,C,P))`

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