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***LOST AT SEA***

*Instructions:*

You are adrift on a private yacht in the South Pacific. As a consequence of a fire of unknown origin, much of the yacht and its contents have been destroyed. The yacht is now slowly sinking. Your location is unclear because of the destruction of critical navigational equipment and because you and the crew were distracted trying to bring the fire under control. Your best estimate is that you are approximately one thousand miles south-southwest of the nearest land. Below is a list of fifteen items that are intact and undamaged after the fire. In addition to these articles, you have a serviceable, rubber life raft with oars large enough to carry yourself, the crew, and all the items listed below. The total contents of all survivors’ pockets are a package of cigarettes, several books of matches, and five one-dollar bills.

Your task is to rank the fifteen items below in terms of their importance to your survival. Place the number 1 by the most important item, the number 2 by the second most important, and so on through number 15, the least important.

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| **Object** | **Your rank** |
| **Sextant** |  |
| Shaving Mirror |  |
| 5 gal can of water |  |
| Mosquito netting |  |
| One case of US Army C rations |  |
| Maps of the Pacific Ocean |  |
| Seat cushion (flotation device) |  |
| 2 gal can of oil-gas mixture |  |
| Small transistor radio: |  |
| Shark repellent |  |
| Twenty square feet of opaque plastic |  |
| 1 qt of 160-proof Puerto Rican Rum |  |
| Fifteen feet of nylon rope |  |
| Two boxes of chocolate bars |  |
| Fishing Kit |  |