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$$\text{ratings} = [1, 0, 2]$$

edges check first

left edge = 1 rating

since right = 0 rating

so 1 rating = 2

0 rating = 1 (less than 1 rating)

and right edge = 2 rating

since left = 0 rating

so 2 rating = 2

0 rating = 1

so $2 + 1 + 2 = 5$ candies

First check edges then in
between for $\leftarrow 0 \rightarrow$
check