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Question 1 (External resource) (1.0 points possible)



The problem was:

Consider a particular geography question with item response function $P(\theta)$.

What does $P(0) = 0.25$ mean? Match with the best translation.

You selected:

- ☐ The probability that someone with average ability in world geography answers the question correctly is 25%.

✓ Correct

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Question 2 (External resource) (1.0 points possible)

Suppose Avi has ability level θ_A and Blaise has ability level θ_B in world geography. Consider a particular geography question with probability function $P(\theta)$. What do each of the following function statements mean? Match each with the best translation.

$$P(A)=1$$

You selected:

Avi is definitely going to get the question right.

✓ Correct

$$P(A)=0.5$$

You Selected:

Avi has a 50-50 chance of getting the question wrong.

✓ Correct

Question 3 (External resource) (1.0 points possible)

You have used 1 of 2 attempts on this problem! To try again, click the "Try again" button below.

The problem was:

Suppose a young child with no formal education (very low θ value) takes the World Geography quiz.

For the question "True or False: Volcanoes exist only on dry land", which of the options below best describes $P(\theta)$?

You selected:

☐ $P(\theta) = 0.5$

✓ Correct

Try Again

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