# 2014-CZ-02a-EN Laterality

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Answer Type: Multiple Choice Graphics are: self made and colorblind proof

### **Body**

Psychologists made a test of laterality in the classroom consisting of three tasks and answers were stored in a computer. The tasks were:

1. Clasp hands: they recorded whether left or right thumb was above.





2. Look at the picture and immediately tell, which animal do you see: they recorded whether student saw a head of rabbit or duck.



3. Give a clap: they recorded whether left or right hand was above.





The psychologists have to come up with a different code for each possible outcome of the three task test.

## Question

How many different codes should there be at least?

#### **Answer**

- A) 1
- B) 3
- C) 8
- D) 16

## **Explanation**

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Every tasks allows 2 possible answers (left – right thumb, rabbit – duck, left – right hand) and since the tasks are independent, this requires 2\*2\*2= 8 codes, which is the correct answer.

The original task was asking about the number of bits to record the result of individual testing. However, due to preknowledge factor about a notion of a bit, the task was changed. The original version still exists as 2014-CZ-02a.

#### It's informatics

Encoding of information is one of the basic problems in informatics. Moreover, the codes have to be designed in a such a way that they are from a rich enough domain that one can distinguish between different information.

### Keywords

Information units, digital literacy

#### **Websites**

#### **Internal Use**

### Wording

Some information on the label – numbers, measurement units, codes, addresses on the photo of a part of the label

#### **Comments**

Original task was on the number of bits needed to record the outcome of the test. To avoid the issue of pre-knowledge requirement on a notion of a bit, the task was changed to ask about the number of different outcomes.

#### **Files**

All additional files for this task (graphics, scripts, etc.)

2014-CZ-02a-EN Laterality.odt (this file)

2014-CZ-02a-laterality1ab - 3ab.jpg (original photos of pictures of hands - both variants)

2014-CZ-02a-laterality2.svg (graphics of the animal)

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