

Commentary

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1. (a. Answers will vary -- 10 and 11 are the most common answers; b. Answers will vary.) Students should use a calculator to compute:

$$25 \times 60 \times 16 \times 365 \times (\text{answer for part a})$$

If part a is 10, the answer is 88 million; if part a is 11, the answer is 96 million.

2. (11 quarters, 4 dimes) Some students will randomly use *guess-check-revise*, while others realize that the amount of money in quarters alone should be fairly close to \$3.15, and begin working backward from there, using *guess-check-revise*.
3. (rectangle: 28 cm; 2 triangles: 32 and 36 cm; 2 parallelograms: 32 and 36 cm) These are the four most likely answers, but a quadrilateral could also be built with a perimeter of 36 cm. Note: parallelograms cannot be named as rectangles.

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$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \quad \boxed{5} \quad 6 \quad 8 \\ \quad \quad 5 \quad \boxed{9} \quad 6 \\ + \quad \boxed{5} \quad 9 \quad 4 \quad \boxed{7} \\ \hline 1 \quad 1, \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

5. (c. dime) A century is ten times a decade; likewise, a dollar is ten times a dime.
6. (12) Students have to consider a problem that is not one usually asked. If 3 is $\frac{1}{4}$ of some number, what number is it?
7. (2 out of 3 chances, or $\frac{2}{3}$, or 67%) There are three spaces left, and two of those will result in a win for the computer. Any of the three spots are equally likely to be selected, so the chance is $\frac{2}{3}$ of a win.
8. (25, 3, 3, 9) Students familiar with a Venn Diagram should have little difficulty with this problem. All the X's are counted for the first answer. Only 3 X's are in the RAP ring only. Three students are in the overlap between rock and country, but not in RAP. There are 9 students that are in the RAP and country circles together, but not in the rock circle.