

Kwiz

The last quarter's quiz:

The king's daughter had three suitors and couldn't decide which one to marry. So the king said "I have three gold crowns and two silver ones. I will put either a gold or silver crown on each of your heads. The suitor who can tell me which crown he has will marry my daughter."

The first suitor looked around and said he could not tell. The second suitor did the same. The third suitor said, " I have a gold crown". He was correct, but the daughter was puzzled: The suitor was blind. How did he know?

The Answer:

The first suitor must not have seen two silver crowns, or he would have known his was gold. Because of his answer, that leaves with three other possibilities:

- 1) a gold crown on both the second and third suitors;
- 2) a gold crown on the second suitor and a silver one on the third;
- 3) a silver crown on the second suitor and a gold one on the third.

So the second suitor must not have seen a silver crown on the third suitor, or he would have known his own was gold (Note the three possibilities). The third suitor knew that only two possibilities remained (1 and 3), and, in both of them, his crown was gold.

The following gave the right answers:

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This Kwarter's Kwiz

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Continuing with the Konkani tradition of quizzing, here's the brainteaser for this quarter. If you can solve this correctly, send it to Khabbar address to have your name published in the next issue if your subscription is current.

100 Konkani soldiers standing in a circle in an order 1 to 100. No.1 has a sword ✍. He kills next person (i.e. no. 2) and gives that sword to next to next (i.e. no.3). All of them do the same until only 1 survives. Which number survives in the last?