JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE

Class #1 – Outdoor Equipment - Tents

Placing:  2-1-3-4
Cuts:     3-4-5

Reasoning:

In the top pair, I placed 2 over 1 because:
- 2 has a larger floor size
- 2 had storage pockets and gear loft
Grants to 1
-While it is cheaper in price, it doesn’t offer the amount of room and storage that 2 offers.

In the middle pair, I placed 1 over 3 because:
- 1 is greater in floor size and height
Grants to 3
-While it is cheaper in price, it will not accommodate the whole family.

In the bottom pair, I placed 3 over 4 because:
- 3 is water proof and will protect the family from the rain and is within the budget
Grants to 4
-While it will sleep the whole family, it is not water proof and is over budget

I placed 4 last because:
- It is not water proof
- Over budget
JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE

Class #2 – Fast Food
Placing: 1-3-4-2
Cuts: 4-2-3

Reasoning:

I placed 1 over 3 because:
• It has more protein
• It has less fat
• Can load up on healthy vegetables
Grant to 3
• It is less expensive

I placed 3 over 4 because:
• It has more protein
• It has fewer calories
Grant to 4:
• It costs less

I placed 4 over 2 because
• It has much less fat
• It has fewer calories
I grant that 2
• More protein

I placed 4 last because it was the highest in fat.
JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE

Class #3 – Cookware
Placing: 2-3-1-4
Cuts: 3-2-4

Reasoning:

In the top pair, I placed 2 over 3 because:
- 2 is heavy gauge cookware which is what Stella is looking for
- 2 has a copper bottom which is better heat conductor
- 2 fits into her budget
- 2 would be less maintenance than an all-copper set
Grant to 3:
- It has the same number of pans and is within Stella’s budget

In the middle pair, I placed 3 over 1 because
- 3 is more durable than 1
- 3 is all copper which will be a better heat conductor
- Comes with Cleaner
Grant to 1:
- It would be easier to care for than 3

For the bottom pair, I placed 1 over 4 because
- 1 is less expensive than 4
- It has more pieces than 4
- It is nonstick which would be easier to care for
Grant to 4:
- 4 is more heavyweight and durable than 1

I placed 4 last because it is out of Stella’s budget.
JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE

Class #4 – Digital Cameras – REASONS

Placing: 4-2-1-3
Cuts: 2-4-5

Reasoning:

I placed this class of Digital Cameras 4-2-1-3.

The scenario is asking Samantha to purchase a new camera for her job with a good zoom lens, and wireless or Bluetooth compatibility with a budget of $500. The class presents an obvious top pair and bottom pair.

In my top pair I placed 4 over 2 because 4 is within Samantha’s budget, it has an 18x zoom lens, wireless sharing to any device, and will produce quality photos with 22 megapixels. It sits with the right price of $399.99 dollars, well worth placing it top above camera 2. Camera 2 does come with a favorable price tag of $379 dollars and its wireless compatibility; however it lacks the necessary zoom lens to get the job done therefore I placed it second.

In my middle pair I placed 2 over 1 because 2 obviously is within budget, and has a higher zoom lens while producing quality photos, granted the 1 camera does feature image stabilization, however today the price and specs provided does not help this camera sort to the top.

In my bottom pair, I placed the Sony Cyber-shot over the Canon Rebel as it comes with a mediocre optical zoom, barely within Samantha’s budget as compared to the 3 camera’s price of $599.99 dollars, it also lacks Bluetooth and wireless sharing abilities.

Today the 3 camera is last in the class due to its high price and lack of necessary capabilities listed in the scenario.

Therefore I place this class of digital cameras, 4-2-1-3.
JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE

Class #5 – Jeans
Placing:  3-1-2-4
Cuts:  2-4-4

Reasoning:

In the top pair, I placed 3 over 1 because:
- 3 is almost exactly what Amy wants: dark wash, no distressing or finishing, mid rise.
Grant to 1
- it is less expensive and has the fancy pockets

In the middle pair, I placed 1 over 2 because:
- 1 is a darker wash
- 1 has the fancy pockets Amy wants
- 1 has minimal finishing
  Grants to 2
- 2 is less expensive

In the bottom pair, I placed 2 over 4 because:
- 2 falls within Amy’s price range
  Grants to 4
- 4 has less distressing and is a “dressier” pair of jeans

I placed 4 last because:
- 4 exceeds Amy’s budget
  Grant
- 4 is more in line with the style Amy wants than number 2, but the price prevents it from moving up any higher in the class.
JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE

Class #6 - Mystery – Gaming Systems
Placing: 2-4-1-3
Cuts: 3-2-3

Reasoning:

In the top pair, I placed 2 over 4 because:
  • Online capabilities
  • Larger screen
  • In the price budget
Grant of 4 over 2:
  • Less expensive

In the middle pair, I placed 4 over 1 because:
  • Portable
Grant of 1 over 4:
  • Less expensive

In the bottom pair, I placed 1 over 3 because:
  • Fits in the price budget
  • Larger screen
Grants of 3 over 1:
  • Portable

I placed 3 last because:
  • Out of price range
SENIOR

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SENIOR

Class #2 – Televisions

Placing: 3-1-4-2
Cuts: 3-4-5

Reasoning:

In the top pair, I placed 3 over 1 because:
- 3 is $11.90 cheaper than 1
- 3 is wall mountable, while 1 needs tv stand
- 3 is 32 inches
- 3 is a smart tv

Grants to 1
- 1 price is within budget
- 1 is 32 inches, but requires a tv stand
- 1 is a smart tv

In the middle pair, I placed 1 over 4 because:
- price is within budget, but more than 4
- 1 is 32 inches, and 4 is 42 inches which is too large
- 1 is a smart tv

Grants to 4
- 4 price is within budget
- 4 is a smart tv

In the bottom pair, I placed 4 over 2 because:
- 4 is $96.00 cheaper than 2
- 4 is a smart tv, whereas 2 isn’t a smart tv
- Grants to 2
- 2 is wall mountable

I placed 2 last because:
- 2 price is over budget by $15.00
- 2 is 40 inches, which is too large
- 2 is isn’t a smart tv
SENIOR

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Grant to 2:
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- 2 has more pieces of pans

Grant to 1:
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SENIOR

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-1 has the fancy pockets Amy wants
-1 has minimal finishing
Grants to 4
- Less expensive
-Has the preferred mid-rise cut

In the bottom pair, I placed 4 over 2 because:
- 4 has less distressing and finishing
- 4 is a darker wash
-4 is less expensive

I placed 2 last because:
- Excessive distressing, not dressy enough
- light wash
SENIOR

Class #6 - Mystery – Vacation Packages

Placing:  2-1-4-3
Cuts:   2-3-2

Reasoning:

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