

WHAT SOME PEOPLE DO WHEN THEY SOLVE PROBLEMS IS LISTED BELOW. MAKE A CHECK (✓) NEXT TO EACH ONE YOU DID WHILE WORKING THE CATERPILLAR PROBLEM.

Made a drawing

Looked for a pattern

Thought about a problem like this one that I have solved before

Tried a number of days that the caterpillar could have taken and then checked to see if the number was correct

Made a list of numbers

Used a number sentence

Made a table

I did something different. Here is what I did.

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I worked the caterpillar problem
(check (✓) one.)

- one way.
- more than one way.

The first time I tried this problem I
(check (✓) one or more.)

- knew I was right.
- did everything I knew how to do.
- checked and it was right.
- had done all I wanted to do.
- had done all there was to do.
- did not do any of these things.

I tried a second way because I
(check (✓) one or more.)

- knew the first way was wrong.
- wanted to see if another way would work.
- checked and saw the first way was wrong.
- wasn't sure if the first way was right.
- used a second way to check the first way.
- I tried a second way for another reason.

After I got an answer I (mark (✓)) one

did not check the answer.

checked the answer.

Now mark (✓) below why you did not check your answer.

Now mark (✓) below how you checked your answer.

I did not check my answer because I

knew it was right.

did not know what to do.

had done all I wanted.

I had a different reason for not checking my answer.

I checked my answer by

checking my work.

working the problem again the same way.

working the problem again a different way.

reading the problem again.

acting it out.

doing something different than these.

TRANSCRIPT OF INTERVIEW WITH TRUDY HURDEM

Trudy: 6 days.

Interviewer: How did you get that?

Trudy: I thought about this bottle. I saw this caterpillar climbing up the jar.

Interviewer: How did you know it was 6?

Trudy: Because he ..., well, he fell down..., he climbed up 4, and he fell back down 2, and I figured up how many more he was going to climb up.

Interviewer: I just want to make sure that I understand how you got 6. You said after one day ...

Trudy: He climbed up 4, and he fell back 2. He climbed up 4, and he fell back 2. He climbed up again, and he fell back 2 like that. He fell all the way back down, and he had to start all over again and to get back up to 8.