

## A Script by the Numbers

**C**omplete the script by filling in each blank with a number (zero, one, two, three, etc.). *Some numbers will be used more than one time.* You may have to use information from other sentences to fill in some of the blanks. When you're done, answer the Bonus Question below the script.

*Early one afternoon, A meets B on campus.*

A: Wow, that's a lot of books! How many do you have there?

B: \_\_\_\_\_. One for each day of the week. And they're heavy!

A: Where are you taking them?

B: Back to the library. \_\_\_\_\_ of them are overdue. The other \_\_\_\_\_ is due today!

A: Will you have to pay a fine?

B: I'm afraid so. The library charges \_\_\_\_\_ dollar for every day a book is late.

A: Sorry to hear that. What are the books about?

B: This \_\_\_\_\_ is about the moon. And I have \_\_\_\_\_ biographies—one on Cleopatra and one on Henry VIII.

A: What about the other \_\_\_\_\_ books?

B: These \_\_\_\_\_ are guides for healthy eating, and these \_\_\_\_\_ are about the environment.

A: They all sound interesting! Say—how will you get to the library?

B: I have \_\_\_\_\_ choices: walk, ride my bike, or take the bus.

A: Actually, you have \_\_\_\_\_ choices. I could take you there on my motorcycle.

B: Great idea! And maybe you could help me pay the library fine, too!

A: Sorry, there's \_\_\_\_\_ chance of that. I don't have any money!

*They get on A's motorcycle and ride away to the library.*

Bonus Question: Add all the numbers that you wrote. What is the total of those numbers? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Answers to *THE LIGHTER SIDE*

### A SCRIPT BY THE NUMBERS

Answer to the Bonus Question: 33

*Early one afternoon, A meets B on campus.*  
A: Wow, that's a lot of books! How many do you have there?  
B: Seven. One for each day of the week. And they're heavy!  
A: Where are you taking them?  
B: Back to the library. Six of them are overdue. The other one is due today!  
A: Will you have to pay a fine?  
B: I'm afraid so. The library charges one dollar for every day a book is late.  
A: Sorry to hear that. What are the books about?  
B: This one is about the moon. And I have two biographies—one on Cleopatra and one on Henry VIII.  
A: What about the other four books?  
B: These two are guides for healthy eating, and these two are about the environment.  
A: They all sound interesting! Say—how will you get to the library?  
B: I have three choices: walk, ride my bike, or take the bus.  
A: Actually, you have four choices. I could take you there on my motorcycle.  
B: Great idea! And maybe you could help me pay the library fine, too!  
A: Sorry, there's zero chance of that. I don't have any money! They get on A's motorcycle and ride away to the library.