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B = the sum of the squares of the first 60 positive integers.

C = the sum $1 + 2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^{n-1}$ for $n = 14$.

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Suppose DeBrie will select Bag 1 or Bag 2 based on the outcome of a standard, fair, six-sided die. If a 5 or 6 turns up, she will choose a ball from Bag 1; otherwise, she will choose from Bag 2.

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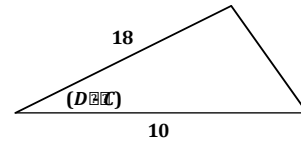
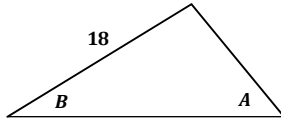
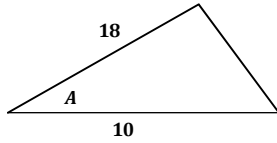
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