

Situational Problem – THE ULTIMATE CELEBRITY FACE-OFF

PWTV television is starting a new show called “The Ultimate Celebrity Face-off.” It is a race between the greatest celebrity action heroes.

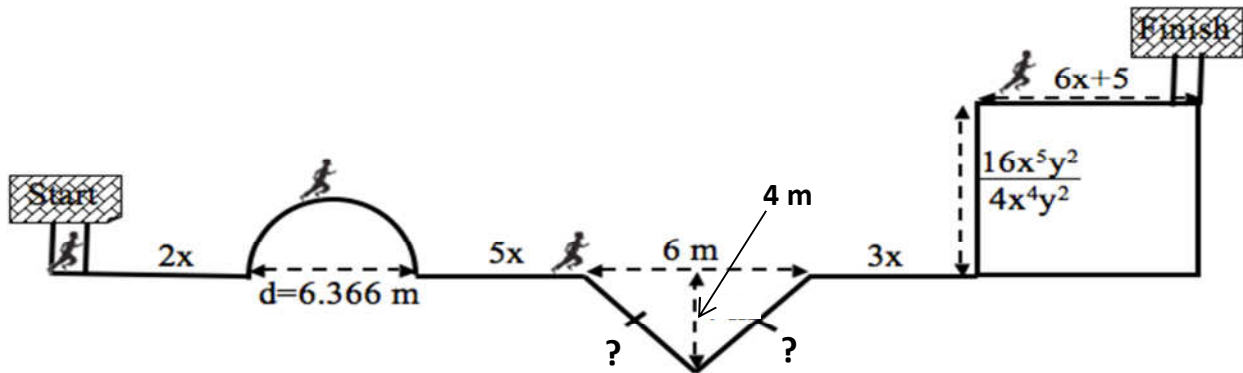
In Episode 1, Jackie Chan and Chuck Norris will “face-off” in 4 challenges. The celebrity to complete ALL challenges in the shortest time will be crowned “Champion”, and his choice of charity will receive a donation amount based on his performance.

**Your task is to calculate how long it takes for the contestants to complete each challenge in seconds, determine who will be crowned “Champion!”, and how much his charity will receive.**

\* *Please note that:*  $speed = \frac{distance}{time}$

**Challenge 1- The Race of Champions**

Both Jackie and Chuck have to run the same “Race of Champions” from the start line to the finish line. The value of x is 6 meters.



Jackie runs and climbs at an average speed of 1.25 m/s.

After the timer starts, Chuck wastes 10 seconds to sign a few autographs at the start line. Then, after those first 10 seconds, he runs and climbs at a constant average speed to the finish. His distance and time were noted randomly twice and recorded in the table below.

Chuck’s Race Information

Time (s)	Distance from Start (m)
10	0
90	100

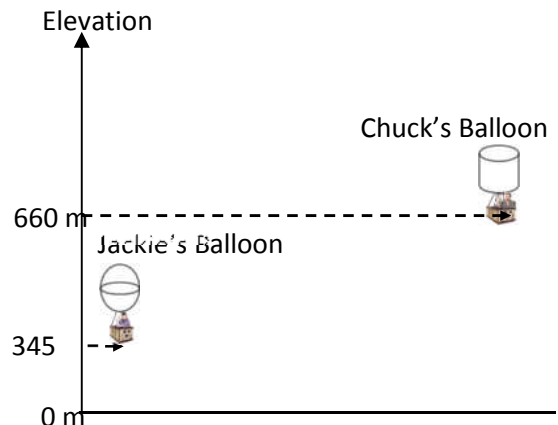
## Challenge 2- Flying into the Stratosphere

In order to prepare for Challenge 3, Jackie and Chuck must fly in hot air balloons to the same height in the sky.

Jackie's balloon starts at an elevation of 345 m. He travels upwards at 19 m/s.

Chuck's balloon starts at an elevation of 660 m. After 18 seconds Chuck's elevation is 876 m.

How long does it take for Jackie and Chuck to reach the same elevation? What is this elevation?

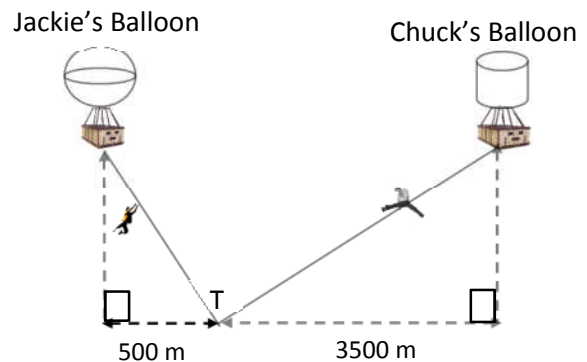


## Challenge 3- Zip-lining Down to Safety

Once Jackie and Chuck reach the same elevation (i.e. the elevation determined in Challenge 2), they are to zip-line along the ropes tied from their balloons onto target (T) at ground level.

Jackie is wearing baggy clothing, so he travels along his zip-line at a speed of 20 m/s.

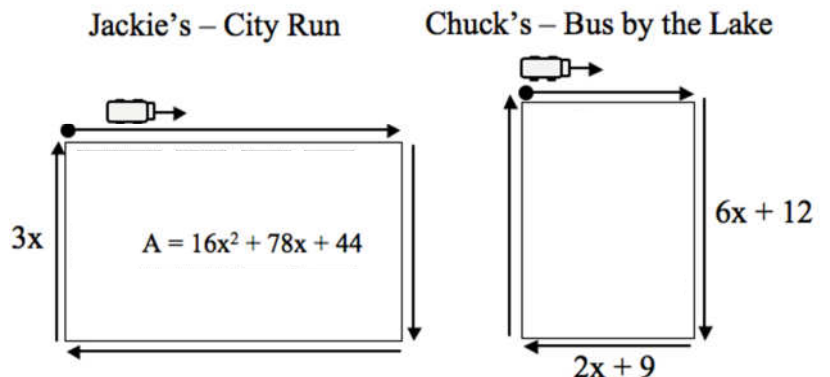
Chuck is wearing a streamline speed suit and travels at a speed of 74 m/s along his zip-line.



## Challenge 4- The Feat of Strength

In the final challenge, Jackie and Chuck will each pull a bus all the way around a rectangular course once. The contestants do not race around the same course, but both rectangular courses have equal areas.

Jackie runs at 5.25 m/s, and Chuck runs at 2 m/s.



Note: the value of  $x$  here is not the same as that in challenge 1.

## Charity Donation Amount

Once a “Champion” is determined, a donation is made on his behalf to the charity of his choice.

To calculate that amount, the judges consider the difference in the finish times, and multiply that by  $1.2 \times 10^3$ .

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Challenge	Jackie Chan (time in sec)	Chuck Norris (time in sec)
1		
2		
3		
4		
Total		

The Champion is \_\_\_\_\_ and the charity receives \$\_\_\_\_\_.

**Challenge 1- The Race of Champions**

**Jackie**

Find the length of the hill

$$A: c = \frac{\pi d}{2} = \frac{\pi(6.366m)}{2} = 10 \text{ m}$$

Find the length of the pit

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$B: = (4m)^2 + (3m)^2$$

$$= 25m^2$$

$$= 5m$$

Find the length of the wall

$$C: \frac{16x^5y^2}{4x^4y^2} = 4x$$

Find total distance

$$d = 2x + A + 5x + B + 3x + C + 6x + 5$$

$$d = 2x + 10 + 5x + 10 + 3x + 4x + 6x + 5$$

$$d = 20x + 25$$

$$d = 20(6) + 25$$

$$= 145 \text{ m}$$

Find Jackie's time

$$145 \text{ m} \div 1.25 \text{ m/s} = 116 \text{ seconds}$$

**Jackie's time is 116 seconds**

**Chuck**

Find the rate of change

$$a = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{100 - 0}{90 - 10} = \frac{100}{80} = \frac{5}{4} = 1.25$$

Find the initial value

$$y = ax + b$$

$$b = y - ax$$

$$= (0) - (1.25)(10)$$

$$b = -12.5$$

Find Chuck's time

$$y = 1.25x - 12.5$$

$$145 = 1.25x - 12.5$$

$$+12.5 \qquad +12.5$$

$$\frac{157.5}{1.25} = \frac{1.25x}{1.25}$$

$$126 = x$$

$$x = 126 \text{ seconds}$$

Or:

since speed is the same for both; just add 10 sec. (wasted time as start) to Jackie's time

**Chuck's time is 126 seconds**

## Challenge 2- Flying into the Stratosphere

<p><u>Jackie</u></p> <p>Let <math>y</math> represent elevation in m</p> <p>Let <math>x</math> represent time in seconds</p> <p><math>Y_J = 19x + 345</math></p>	<p><u>Chuck</u></p> <p>Find the ROC of Chuck's ascent</p> $a = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{876 - 660}{18} = 12m/s$ <p><math>Y_C = 12x + 660</math></p>			
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## Challenge 3- Zip-lining Down to Safety

<p><b>Jackie</b></p> <p>Find the length of Jackie's path</p> $c^2 = 1200^2 + 500^2$ $= 1\,690\,000m^2$ $c = 1300\,m$ <p>Find the time</p> $1300\,m \div 20m/s = 65\,seconds$ <p><b>Jackie's time is 65 seconds</b></p>	<p><b>Chuck</b></p> <p>Find the length of Chuck's path</p> $c^2 = 3500^2 + 1200^2$ $= 13\,690\,000m^2$ $c = 3700\,m$ <p>Find the time</p> $3700\,m \div 74m/s = 50\,seconds$ <p><b>Chuck's time is 50 seconds</b></p>
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### Challenge 4- The Feat of Strength

<p><u>Find <math>A_2</math> for Chuck</u></p> $A_2 = (2x + 9)(6x + 12)$ $= 12x^2 + 24x + 54x + 108$ $= 12x^2 + 78x + 108$		<p><u>Let <math>A_1 = A_2</math> since same areas</u></p> $16x^2 + 78x + 44 = 12x^2 + 78x + 108$ $16x^2 + 44 = 12x^2 + 108$ $4x^2 + 44 = 108$ $4x^2 = 64$ $x^2 = 16$ $x = 4$
<p><u>Jackie</u></p> <p><u>Length of Jackie's course</u></p> $A_1 = 12x^2 + 78x + 108$ $= 12(4)^2 + 78(4) + 108$ $= 612 \text{ m}^2$ <p><u>Find the length</u></p> $l = \frac{A}{w} = \frac{612}{3x}$ $= \frac{612}{3(4)} = \frac{612}{12} = 51$	<p><u>Find the perimeter</u></p> $P = 2l + 2w$ $= 2(51) + 2(12)$ $= 102 + 24$ $= 126 \text{ m}$ <p><u>Find Jackie's time</u></p> $126 \text{ m} \div 5.25 \text{ m/s} = 24 \text{ sec}$ <p><b>Jackie's time is 24 seconds</b></p>	<p><u>Chuck</u></p> <p><u>Perimeter for Chuck</u></p> $P = 2l + 2w$ $= 2(2x + 9) + 2(6x + 12)$ $= 4x + 18 + 12x + 24$ $= 16x + 42$ $= 16(4) + 42$ $= 106 \text{ m}$ <p><u>Find Chuck's time</u></p> $106 \text{ m} \div 2 \text{ m/s} = 53 \text{ seconds}$ <p><b>Chuck's time is 53 seconds</b></p>

### Charity Donation Amount

<p>Difference in seconds = <math>274 - 250 = 24</math> seconds</p> <p>Donation amount = <math>(24)(1.2 \times 10^3)</math></p> <p style="text-align: center;">= \$ 28800</p>
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Challenge	Jackie Chan (time in sec)	Chuck Norris (time in sec)
1	116	126
2	45	45
3	65	50
4	24	53
Total	250	274

The Champion is Jackie Chan and the charity receives: \$ 28 800 .