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How can it be solved?

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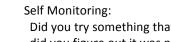














Student Name:	Activity Title:
Individual thoughts about the problem:	
Talk about what the problem is asking you to find:	
How can it be solved?	
Strategy I would use:	
Work:	
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My final response is:	
This response makes sense because:	

Name:	Problem:

I-THINK Scoring Rubric

	4 Points	3 Points	2 Points	1 Point
Understand	Response indicates	Response indicates	Response indicates	Response indicates
	insight and complete	understanding of	partial	misunderstanding
	understanding of the	the problem	understanding of	of the problem
	problem		the problem	
Plan	-Makes	-Shows workable	-Shows a plan that	-Produces
	original/creative plan to	plan to solve the	will not solve the	unworkable plan
	solve the problem	problem	problem	-Does not organize
	-Organizes data	-Organizes data	-Partially	data
	concisely and with	appropriately	organizes data	-Chooses no
	insight	-Chooses a strategy	-Chooses an	strategy or an
	-Uses one or more	to solve the	inappropriate	incorrect strategy
	strategies to solve	problem	strategy to solve	
	problem		the problem	
Solve	-Shows clear, well-	-Shows correct	-Shows partially	-Shows incorrect
	organized	implementation of	correct	implementation of
	implementation of the	the plan	implementation of	the plan
	plan	-Shows some	the plan	-Produces work
	-Clearly shows logical	evidence of	-Shows little	that is unrelated to
	processes used in	processes used	evidence of	the problem
	implementation	-Makes few or no	processes used	
	-Uses data that fit the	errors in data	-Produces work	
	information given in		having many	
	the problem		errors	
Check	-Attains clear,	-Finds reasonable,	-Produces partially	-Attains
	reasonable solution that	acceptable solution	acceptable solution	unreasonable
	is meaningful to the	-Labels most parts	-Labels no parts or	solution that is
	problem	- Gives an	few parts	unrelated to the
	-Clearly labels all parts	explanation for the	- Gives incomplete	problem
	- Gives clear, insightful	solution	or unclear	-Uses no labels
	reasons to explain the	-If solution is not	explanation for the	- Gives no
	accuracy of the solution	reasonable, shows	solution	explanation for the
	-If solution is not	some evidence of	-If solution is not	solution
	reasonable, shows	redoing the	reasonable, shows	
	evidence of choosing	problem	no evidence of	
	another strategy		redoing the	
			problem	

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