Identifying Ultimate Tasks   
 and Hidden Tasks

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Identify the ultimate task and hidden tasks involved in solving   
each of the problems described below.

Choose one of the problems and solve it. You do not have to solve   
the other problems.

Problem A: Choosing a Garden Plot

Samia can rent a 3-m by 3.5-m plot in a community garden   
for $17 for the season.

Or Samia can rent a 4 m by 6 m plot with a friend for $35   
for the season. They would share the cost and space equally.

Which plot do you think Samia should rent?  
Explain your reasons.

6 m

3 m

4 m

3.5 m

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Problem B: Comparing Growth

In ideal conditions, Moso bamboo can grow 90 cm in a day.

Even a fast-growing tree like the Lombardy poplar can grow   
only 1 cm in a day.

A botanical garden has a Lombardy poplar that is 5.5 m tall   
and a Moso bamboo that is 0.3 m tall.

If each plant grows at the maximum rate, which plant will be taller   
at the end of the week?

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Problem C: Numerical Calculation

Evaluate: 15.3 × (5.2 + 8.4) ÷ 0.4