

Camp Sleeping Gear (Intermediate)

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What sleeping bag should Billy purchase?

Criteria:

- Under \$30
- Comfortable in temperatures from 80 to 40 degrees
- Non-sticking outside fabric covering
- Own Storage System

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Camp Sleeping Gear (Senior)

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What sleeping bag should Billy purchase?

#1
Coleman 50° Sleeping Bag

\$14.99



- Sleeping bag with a 50° temperature rating
- Use it alone, or use it with another bag as a liner, adding 12° of warmth
- Made of 200g polyester fleece
- Features elastic loop storage system
- 33Wx75L"; fits most people up to 5'11" tall

#2 Swiss Gear Graz Sleeping Bag

\$24.99



- Hypoallergenic Swiss Therm polyester fill
- 40°F rating
- Quilted polyester exterior; polyester/cotton liner
- 77Lx33W"
- Machine wash; imported

#3

Swiss Gear Mummy 10° Sleeping Bag

\$34.99



- 48-oz. Swiss-Therm Elite nonallergenic polyester fill, plus insulated shoulder collar and fleece-lined foot warmer
- Sculpted hood with drawstring keeps your head protected and warm
- 2-way self-repairing coil zipper with anti-snag tape for easy in and out
- Temperature rating of 10°; stuff sack for storage and transport
- 84Lx33W"

#4

Eddie Bauer Sleeping Bag with Comfort Shell - 40/60°

\$27.99



- Sleeping bag with a removable comfort shell keeps you toasty—with the shell on—when it's down to 40°, and comfy—with it off—when it's up to 60°
- Lined with soft fleece on top and polyester on the bottom, the high-count polyester/cotton bag is filled with 3-lbs. of Insul-Therm polyester
- Features a self-repairing coil zipper and includes a carrying bag for easy toting
- Machine wash in a front-loading machine
- 78Lx33W"

Camp Sleeping Gear

Placing: 4 – 2 – 1 - 3

Cuts: 2-3-2

1234 -- 33
1243 -- 40
1324 -- 28
1342 -- 30
1423 -- 42
1432 -- 37
2134 -- 36
2143 -- 43
2314 -- 34
2341 -- 39
2413 -- 48
2431 -- 46
3124 -- 26
3142 -- 28
3214 -- 29
3241 -- 34
3412 -- 33
3421 -- 36
4123 -- 47
4132 -- 42
4213 -- 50
4231 -- 48
4312 -- 40
4321 -- 43

I place this class of Camp Sleeping Gear 4,2,1,3.

In the top pair I place 4 over 2 because 4 has all of the requested criteria; costs less than \$30, is rated to 40°, has a polyester outer shell and a carrying bag as well as having a removable outer top shell. I grant that 2 costs less than 4 and recognize that it also meets all of the requested criteria.

In the middle pair I place 2 over 1. Two has all of the requested criteria. I grant that 1 costs less than 2 but criticize it for only being rated to 50° and having a fleece on the outside of the sleeping bag that leaves and dirt may stick to.

In the bottom pair I place 1 over 3 because 1 fits into Billy's budget of \$30. At the bottom of the class I fault 3 for its cost and grant that it meets all of the requested criteria.

For these reasons, I place this class of camp sleeping gear 4-2-1-3.