

Cameras Senior Division 1999 State Contest

Tom, age 17, is going on a 5 day canoe/camping trip with three friends this summer. He doesn't own a camera.

When he has needed a camera in the past he has borrowed one but doesn't want the responsibility of taking a camera he doesn't own on this trip.

Tom is also concerned with the costs involved with owning a camera. Tom would like to take pictures of his friends to remember their trip but really doesn't want to invest in a camera at this time.

What would be the best choice be for Tom to get the pictures he wants?

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#1

Kodak Advantix

**Advanced Photo System
Camera Outfit**

Cost: \$26.99

**25 exposure – 200 speed film included
(\$5.99 value if bought separately)**

**Approximate processing cost: \$12.58
For 3 sizes of photos 4x6; 4x7; and
panoramic.**

#2

**Polaroid Instant
Popshots**

One-time use camera

Cost: \$19.99

\$4.00 mail-in rebate

No processing required

#3

**Kodak Max
Outdoor Camera**

**Outdoor use only
Sunlight required**

**27 exposure – 800 speed Kodak Max Film
Cost: \$6.79**

**Kodak processing – 4x6 double prints
Cost: \$9.99**

#4
Fuji Film
Quicksnap Flash

35 mm one-time use camera

Cost: \$6.80

27 exposure – 800 speed film

Target processing
4x6 prints - 2nd set free

Cost: \$5.99

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Official Placing**

Placing: 4-3-2-1

Cuts: 3-6-4

Upon analyzing this class of cameras I determined that a one-time use camera would be the best choice for Tom to take on his trip.

In the top pair I place 4 over 3 because 4 is a flash camera that can be used in all light conditions. 4 is lowest in price for both camera and processing. The extra set of prints could be shared with his friends. 3 is an outdoor use camera only requiring sunlight. This feature would limit use in cloudy weather or at night. Granted, both cameras are recyclable.

In my middle pair I placed 3 over 2. 3 is a one time use camera that would be easy to use and would take almost three times as many pictures as 2. The processing cost is reasonable and also includes double prints. I fault 2 because it is considerable more expensive per photo even after the \$4 mail in rebate and only takes ten photos.

In my bottom pair I placed 2 over 1 in an easy placing. 2 is an instant one time use camera that would provide ten instant photos that could be enjoyed right away on the trip. The camera is recyclable. Camera 1 is not a one time use camera and not what Tom wants at this time.

I criticize 1 and leave it at the bottom of the class because it is considerable more expensive to purchase initially and the processing costs are higher for the 3 sizes of photos.

For these reasons I place this class of cameras 4-3-2-1.

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