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THREE CONTRACTORS

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THREE CONTRACTORS Three contractors are bidding to fix a broken fence at the White House. One is from Chicago, another is from Tennessee, and the third is from Montana. All three go with a White House official to examine the fence. The Montana contractor takes out a tape measure and does some measuring, then works some figures with a pencil. "Well," he says, "I figure the job will run about \$900. That's \$400 for materials, \$400 for my crew and \$100 profit for me." The Tennessee contractor also does some measuring and figuring, then says, "I can do this job for \$700. That's \$300 for materials, \$300 for my crew and \$100 profit for me." The Chicago contractor doesn't measure or figure, but leans over to the White House official and whispers, "\$2,700." The official, incredulous, says, "You didn't even measure like the other guys. How did you come up with such a high figure?" The Chicago contractor whispers back, "\$1000 for me, \$1000 for you, and we hire the guy from Tennessee to fix the fence." "Done!" replies the government official.

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