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SOME PUZZLES TO PONDER

Age and Month. Write down your age in years. Multiply the number you have written by 10 and add 5. Multiply this sum by 10 again. Add the number of the month in which you were born, counting January as 1, February as 2 and so on. Subtract 50. The first two numerals on the left will be your age. The next two will be the number of the month in which you were born.

Plugging a Hole. How can you cut a board three inches wide and ten inches long into two congruent pieces so that the two pieces will cover completely a hole that is two inches wide and fifteen inches long?

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