Zebra: Who Is Third?

For Grown-Ups: Answers & Little Hints

You do not need to print this page. Use it when you want to check an answer or offer a little help.

Card 1 - Who is first? (age 2.5-3)

Little hint: Find the flag. Which friend is closest to START?

Answer: Lion - the middle answer choice.

Why it matters: The flag marks START on the left, so the closest friend takes the first place.

Card 2 - Who is third? (age 4)

Little hint: Begin at the flag. Touch each friend once and stop at the place named in the question.

Answer: Zebra - the middle answer choice.

Why it matters: Counting from START: Lion 1, Hippo 2, Zebra 3.

Card 3 - Who is third from START? (age 5)

Little hint: Find START before you count. Is it on the same side as the last card?

Answer: Hippo - the right answer choice.

Why it matters: Here START is on the right: Giraffe 1, Zebra 2, Hippo 3, Lion 4. Only this card moves the flag.

Card 4, question 1 - From START, who is third? (ages 6-7)

Little hint: Keep the line as it is. Begin beside START and touch one friend at a time.

Answer: Zebra - the right answer choice.

Why it matters: From START: Lion 1, Giraffe 2, Zebra 3.

Card 4, question 2 - At the other end, what place is the Zebra? (ages 6-7)

Little hint: Begin beside OTHER END. Count until your finger reaches the striped friend.

Answer: 4 - the middle answer choice.

Why it matters: From OTHER END: Elephant 1, Hippo 2, Rhino 3, Zebra 4. The same friend changes place because the beginning changed.

A spoken answer or a pointed finger shows the reasoning just as well as a mark.

Color and neatness are not part of the math on any card.