

Brain Teasers

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The first person to see the answer to the first puzzle is a man who is 1000 years old.

You can see the answer to the first puzzle in the next page.

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Answers

1. The lockers that are open are the perfect squares: 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100, 121, 144, 169, 196, 225, 256, 289, 324, 361, 400, 441, 484, 529, 576, 625, 676, 729, 784, 841, 900, 961, 1000.
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