Sizing Up the Attic

Unit 3 Measurement

"Hi, Mom and Dad, we're home!" Kyle and Kevin yelled together as they came in the house after swimming practice. The sixteen-year old twins headed straight for the kitchen and pulled out the leftover lasagna from the night before. In less than three minutes, they had inhaled it all. Then they headed for the stairs as they called to their mother in the den, "We'll be in our room."

Running up the stairs, Kyle said, "Hey Kevin, where is our camping cot?"

"Why do you need that old thing?"

"Well, I was thinking," Kyle replied, "We could put it under the big window and put a bunch of pillows on it and it would actually make a pretty comfortable couch."

"That's a good idea," Kevin replied.

"I know it is a good idea," Kyle said with an I-am-great smile. "So, back to my question: Do you know where the cot is?"

Kevin answered, "I think Mom put it in the attic. Let's look."

In the attic, the boys found all kinds of treasures. "Oh, look at that old chair," Kevin said, pointing. "That would make a great computer chair. Three or four of us could climb onto it at once.

And, look at these carpet squares. I think there are enough of them to cover the whole room.

"Yea, and look at that table and chairs over there," Kyle added. "We could use them to keep drinks and food away from our beds and computer tables. This is great! I can't believe we didn't know this stuff was...."



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