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## TWELVETY: Solutions

Here are the answers to the puzzles.


#### Abstract

puzzle \#1 Suppose I have twelve thousands and twelve hundreds and twelve tens and twelve ones. What number is "twelve thousand, twelve hundred, and twelvety twelve" really?




## ANSWER TO PUZZLE 1:

This is the number thirteen thousand, three hundred, and thirty two.

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12000+1200+120+12=13,332
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## ANSWER TO PUZZLE 2:

There are twelve representations.

| $1\|0\| 1$ | $0\|10\| 1$ | $0\|9\| 11$ | $0\|8\| 21$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $0\|7\| 31$ | $0\|6\| 41$ | $0\|5\| 51$ | $0\|4\| 61$ |
| $0\|3\| 71$ | $0\|2\| 81$ | $0\|1\| 91$ | $0\|0\| 101$ |

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There are FOUR ways to represent the number thirty-one in a place value chart (if you don't mind sometimes having more than ten dots in a box).


In how many different ways can you represent the number one-hundred-one?

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