

Problem-Solving Decision: Estimate or Exact Answer

Problem Two giant pandas live in the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. Each panda eats about 40 pounds of bamboo every day. Is 200 pounds of bamboo enough to feed both pandas for two days?

UNDERSTAND

1. What does the word “enough” in the question tell you?

PLAN

2. After you estimate, what do you need to do?

SOLVE

3. About how much food do they need for two days?

LOOK BACK

4. How could you rewrite the question so that it calls for an exact answer?
