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1) The pattern in this sequence is add 5 subtract 2 . The three numbers that fill in the blanks would be 16, 14, and 19.

Their sum is $\mathbf{1 6} \boldsymbol{+ 1 4} \mathbf{1 9}=\mathbf{4 9}$
2) It is less expensive to buy the 3 pack so she must purchase as many of those as possible. $\$ 100 \div \$ 13.57=7$. These cost $13.57 \times 7=94.99$ which leaves 5.01 change and that is not enough for the $\$ 8$ shipping cost. So she must go back to the six 3 packs and work from there. $\$ 13.57 \times 6=$ $\$ 81.42$. If she adds the $\$ 8$ shipping cost it is $\$ 89.42$ and that leaves her $\$ 100-89.42$ = $\$ 10.58$ to spend. She can buy 2 more cans at $\$ 5.19$ each or $\$ 10.38$ and that will leave her . 20 c . She can buy a total of 20 cans.
3) The tricky part about this problem is to notice that one cut makes two pieces. So to make 12 logs, it will only take 11 cuts. If it takes $\mathbf{3}$ minutes to make one cut, then it will take ( 3 min X 11 cuts) or 33 minutes to cut the 12 logs.


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4) One way to solve this is to make a chart. Start with half tricycles (10) and half bicycles (11). This makes the total wheels equal to 52 . So, we need to decrease the number of tricycles until you reach 48 wheels. There are 15 bicycles.

> Starting
> Point

| Tricycles | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 |
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| Bicycles | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Total Seats | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 |
| Wheels | 52 | 51 | 50 | 49 | 48 |

## Keep Total

Seats Constant
5) The first step would be to see what shapes are the same on both sides of the scale and eliminate those from the left side. So if we eliminate a triangle, circle, and square from the left, we have 3 stars, 2 triangles, 2 squares, and 1 circle remaining. Since a triangle equals 7 stars,
 we can count the $\mathbf{2}$ triangles as 14 stars. A square equals 3 stars, so we can count the 2 squares as 6 stars. A circle equals 2 stars, so we can count those 2 stars. So we would need to add 3 stars + 14 stars + $\mathbf{6}$ stars + $\mathbf{2}$ stars = $\mathbf{2 5}$ stars
6) The Johnson family members each brought a gift for everyone in the family. There are 10 people in the family so each person bought a gift for all the other 9 people. 10 people x 9 gifts each = 90 gifts. 90 gifts $\mathbf{x} \mathbf{\$ 1 0 = \$ 9 0 0 ~}$

