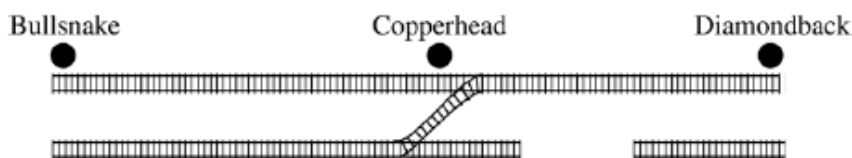




## “FRAPPY” {Free Response AP Problem...Yay!}

The following problem is taken from an actual Advanced Placement Statistics Examination. Your task is to generate a complete, concise statistical response in 15 minutes. You will be graded based on the AP rubric and will earn a score of 0-4. After grading, keep this problem in your binder for your AP Exam preparation.

Flooding has washed out one of the tracks of the Snake Gulch Railroad. The railroad has two parallel tracks from Bullsnae to Copperhead, but only one usable track from Copperhead to Diamondback, as shown in the figure below. Having only one usable track disrupts the usual schedule. Until it is repaired, the washed-out track will remain unusable. If the train leaving Bullsnae arrives at Copperhead first, it has to wait until the train leaving Diamondback arrives at Copperhead.



Every day at noon a train leaves Bullsnae heading for Diamondback and another leaves Diamondback heading for Bullsnae.

Assume that the length of time,  $X$ , it takes the train leaving Bullsnae to get to Copperhead is normally distributed with a mean of 170 minutes and a standard deviation of 20 minutes.

Assume that the length of time,  $Y$ , it takes the train leaving Diamondback to get to Copperhead is normally distributed with a mean of 200 minutes and a standard deviation of 10 minutes.

These two travel times are independent.

**Scoring:** (a) What is the distribution of  $Y - X$ ?

**E I**

**E P I**

(b) Over the long run, what proportion of the days will the train from Bullsnae have to wait at Copperhead for the train from Diamondback to arrive?

**E P I**

(c) How long should the Snake Gulch Railroad delay the departure of the train from Bullsnae so that the probability that it has to wait is only 0.01?

**E P I**

**Total: \_\_/4**