

Yearbook Proof Crunch

PROBLEM SOLVING · THREE ENDINGS

Elias nudges a photo box across the yearbook spread, then watches the captions jump out of place. The staff agreed he would finish the club page after checking final names. He estimated the cleanup would take one short work period. Now the portrait cutouts, quote bubbles, and margin guides all need fixing. The page ladder shows this spread due for proofing today. If Elias guesses again, the adviser may get a page that is almost ready.

Choose the ending most likely to work and predict what happens next.

- [ ] Elias keeps repairing the layout in the original order. He plans to send the adviser whatever is finished when proofing starts, with the missing captions left for later.
- [ ] Elias tells the adviser the estimate was wrong, names the layout pieces still broken, and asks which items must be finished for today's proof. Then he fixes those first.
- [ ] Elias exports a draft now so the adviser has something to review. He keeps editing a second copy and hopes the two versions can be matched later.

Answer: 2

Think about it: Which detail in the better ending makes the next action easiest to check?

TEACHER NOTE

Best ending is 2 because it names the wrong estimate and turns the remaining work into clear choices. A strong prediction explains that Elias finishes the required parts first or gets approval to trim the task. Endings 1 and 3 are plausible, but they leave the adviser guessing or create extra version problems.

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