

From the Previous Issue... Critical Thinking and Problem Solving Puzzle Solution

Published 6/1/2018 by [Ashley Ribbel](#)

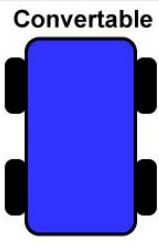
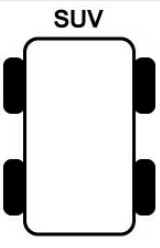
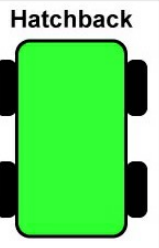
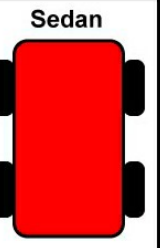
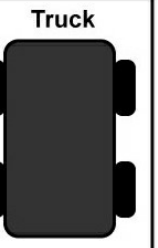
by the Teaching & Learning Centre

in the [June 2018 issue](#)

Our last core literacies puzzle ([Critical Thinking and Problem Solving Puzzle](#) in the [March 2018](#) issue of the Academic Newsletter) was a variation on “Einstein's Riddle,” although there is no evidence that he actually wrote it.

The key to solving the puzzle is to enter the information given into a 5 x 5 matrix, with each column referring to a different person and each row a different attribute (campus, vehicle type, drink, teaching method, and subject). Start with the obvious entries and use logic to continue filling the table, one clue at a time.

For instance, we know that the first parking spot must be occupied by the faculty member with an office at King (clue #10), and that this person also parks next to the SUV (clue #14), so the SUV must be in the second spot. The third (centre) spot is occupied by the faculty member who uses a face-to-face teaching method (clue #8) and drives either a hatchback or a sedan (the truck is eliminated as it must be immediately to the right of the sedan as explained in clue #4)...You get the idea.

| King | Markham | Newnham | S@Y | Jane |
|---|---|---|--|---|
| Convertible | SUV | Hatchback | Sedan | Truck |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Latte Experiential Gen. Ed. | Double-Double Flipped Math | Tea Face-2-Face Humanities | Espresso Online English | Capuccino Hybrid Engineering |

Eventually, one arrives at the follow set of variables: the person who teaches **English** has an

office at Seneca@York, drives a sedan, drinks espresso, and teaches online.

Kudos to all who submitted correct answers.

The **Name Picker Ninja** has chosen **Karen Craigs** as the winner!



View the [June 2018 issue of the Academic Newsletter](#).

June 2018 issue

tags : announcements-congratulations, core-literacy-puzzle, june-2018