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Jamie

because you have a 60% chance then 66.6% chance which is a better chance

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because - $\frac{2}{6} \text{ Rotten} = 33.3\%$ $\frac{3}{5} = 60\%$
 $\frac{4}{6} \text{ Buttered} = 66.6\%$ $\frac{2}{5} = 40\%$
 BOWL 1
 BOWL 2

todd

$$\frac{4}{6} \quad \frac{3}{5}$$

66.6% 60%

SUSAN STUDENT A

$$\frac{3}{5} \quad \frac{2}{4}$$

60.0% 50%

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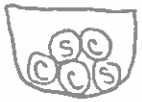
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coconut = $\frac{3}{2}$

soap = $\frac{2}{2}$

butter pop. = $\frac{4}{2} = \frac{2}{1}$

rotton egg = $\frac{2}{2} = \frac{1}{1}$



if you drew 1,
you're chances
of getting anothe
P are $\frac{3}{2}$

S=soap
C=coconut

P=popcorn
R=rotten egg

bowl 1:
likely hood of you getting
what you want is $\frac{3}{2}$ vs.
bowl 2 has a greater
chance of $\frac{4}{2}$, on your
second turn however,

it you got popcorn,
you ratio would be $\frac{3}{2}$
in bowl #2, equal
to bowl #1, therefor

you could follow Todd
or Jamie's advice.

~~sure you pick bowl~~
~~#2 first and then~~
~~bowl number one if~~
~~you follow Jamie's~~
~~advice or you might~~
~~get a junk bean.~~

You could also pick
first from bowl
one. If you get
what you want,
the you would
have a 50%
chance of getting
coconut the next
time. Then you
should go to
bowl #2 and
you'll have a
better chance
of getting
buttered popcorn

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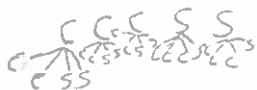
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they have the same odds

Bowl 1



$$\frac{6}{20} = 0,3 = 30\%$$

Bowl 2



$$\frac{12}{30} = 0,4 = 40\%$$

1	2	3
$\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{4} = 0,3 = 30\%$	$\frac{4}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{5} = 0,4 = 40\%$	$\frac{4}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{5} = 0,4 = 40\%$

Bowl 3



$$\frac{12}{30} = 0,4 = 40\%$$

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STUDENT D

most likely to pick a good J. bean
least likely to pick a bad one

15/2
10/2

10/10
7/10

4/11

7/11

40% of picking soap
60% of picking coconut

33.33% of picking rotten egg

66.66% of picking Buttered popcorn

36.36% of picking a bad jellybean

63.63% of picking a good bean

Bowl 2 would be the best to choose from, because you're least likely to pick a bad bean.

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Bowl 1

Total of 5

$$\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{4} = \frac{6}{20} = \frac{3}{10} = 30\%$$

↑

2 j.b. from
bowl 1 = susan

Bowl

STUDENT E

Total of 6

$$\frac{4}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{5} = \frac{12}{30} = \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5} = 40\%$$

↑

2 j.b. from
bowl 2 = todd

Bowl 1+2

$$\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{4}{6} = \frac{12}{30} = \frac{2}{5} = 40\%$$

↑

1 from each
bowl = Jamie

You could follow Jamie's advice or Todd's advice because you would have the same chance.

This is similar to my thinking before because I had the same answer but I didn't use the best mathematical strategies.

The reason why the second numbers we multiplied are lower than the first is because it is a dependent variable, which means you don't replace it. And you can't replace it because when you eat something you can't replace it.

You also have to focus on the positive side of things in probability

Personally I would follow Todd's because I don't like coconut and you have the highest chance (the same as Jamie's) to get a good jelly bean.

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Todd

Explain your reasoning thoroughly enough to convince us that you are making the best out of your lucky day. I would choose Todd because he has a 40% probability of getting a good jelly bean. But, so does Jamie! However, if you figure out who has a higher chance of getting a bad jelly bean, Jamie has a higher chance. Therefore, Todd is a better answer.

Susan, out
 $\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{4} = \frac{6}{20} = \frac{3}{10} = 30\%$

Todd:
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Jamie

$$\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{4}{6} = \frac{12}{30} = \frac{4}{10} = 40\%$$

chance of
getting a
bad job

Todd: $\frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{5} = \frac{2}{30} = \frac{1}{15} = 6.\bar{6}\%$

Jamie: $\frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{6} = \frac{4}{30} = \frac{2}{15} = 13.\bar{3}\%$