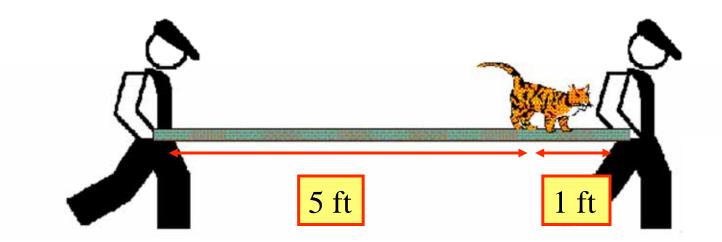
What fraction of the ladder's weight does each hold up?





What fraction of the cat's weigh does each hold up?

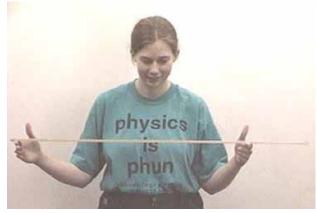




Which way will it slide?



■ Balance a meter stick on your two index fingers with one held at the end of the meter stick and the other held at the one-quarter point.



If you now try to slowly slide your fingers together, which one will slide towards the middle of the meter stick?

- 1. Both
- 2. The one near the end of the meter stick.
- 3. The one at the $\frac{1}{4}$ point.
- 4. Neither