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HOT AIR BALLOON DAY!



Hot Air Balloon Day, also known as Balloon Ascension Day, is observed on January 9th to commemorate the date in 1793 when French aeronaut, Jean Pierre Blanchard, took the first balloon flight in U.S. history when he used hydrogen gas to fly in a hot air balloon over a large crowd of onlookers in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Directions: Use your math skills to find the value of each icon and the '?' in the puzzle below.

$$\text{Hot Air Balloon} + \text{Hot Air Balloon} + \text{Hot Air Balloon} = 36$$

$$\text{Pilot} + \text{Pilot} = \text{Hot Air Balloon}$$

$$\text{Pilot} + \text{Binoculars} + \text{Binoculars} = 22$$

$$\text{Oxygen Tank} - \text{Binoculars} = 10$$

$$\text{Pilot} + \text{Oxygen Tank} + \text{Hot Air Balloon} + \text{Binoculars} = ?$$

My Answer: ? = _____

Answer Key:

Balloon=12

Pilot=6

Binoculars=8

Hydrogen Tank=18

?=44

Fun Fact: One of the amazed onlookers of Blanchard's historic balloon flight was George Washington, then the President of the United States, marking a notable moment in early American aviation history!