

Can You Solve This Puzzle?

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At this time of the year, spring tonics are recommended. We believe you will find the following puzzle a good brain tonic. Work it and we guarantee the winter cobwebs will disappear:

Three men, A, B, and C, were blindfolded and a mark, either black or white, was made on each man's forehead. The blindfolds were then removed. Each man was to look at the others and if he saw two black marks, or a black and a white mark, he was to raise his right hand. If he saw two white marks, he was not to raise his hand. They all raised their hands.

They were then asked to determine the mark each had on his own face and to raise his left hand when he knew. In about fifteen minutes C raised his left hand and said, "I have a black mark."

How did C know his mark was black?

(For your information, all three men bore a *black* mark.)

It took a noted logician 17 hours to solve this brain-twister. Can you beat his time? Solution next week.

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