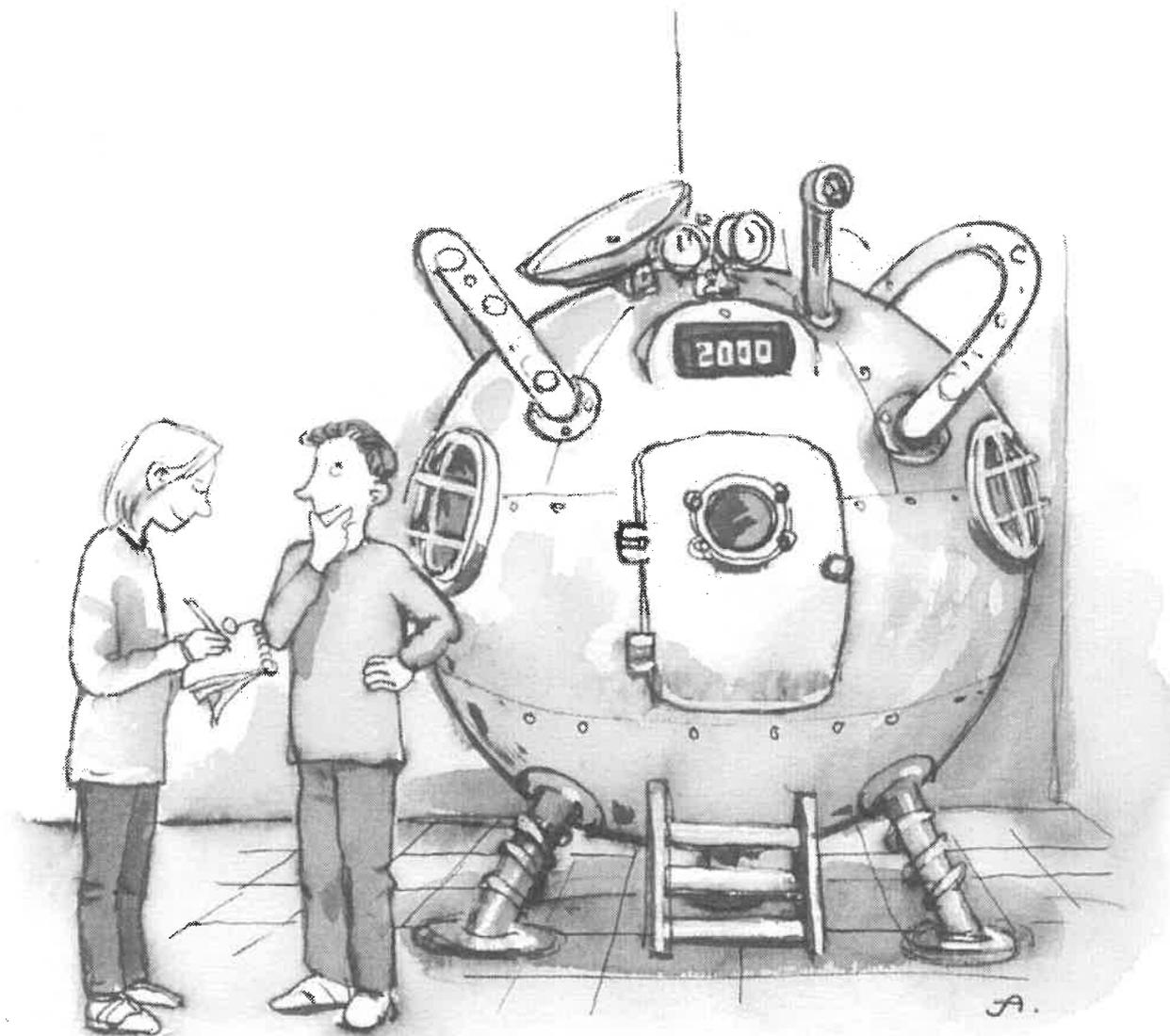


Mathematics Test Year 9

Information Sheet to Part B – The Time Machine



Erik and Frida know a shy but skilful inventor. On the threshold of the new millennium he has built a time machine that Erik and Frida may test. The fuel is however enough only for four landings in History so it is a question of planning the journey carefully to be able to see what you want.

Erik and Frida ponder over the matter for a long time but finally they come to a decision. They want to see a live dinosaur, they want to visit a Stone Age village, be there when the pyramids are built and meet Pythagoras.

The Dinosaur

The first stop of the journey brought Erik and Frida one hundred million years back in time. The travel lasted only a few seconds, before Erik and Frida could jump out of their machine and on unsteady legs walk around for a look. The landscape was lush, the trees were of a gigantic height and the air was warm and humid. It did not take long before the first dinosaur turned up in front of their feet. It was however small and mostly looked like a general lizard. Erik had hoped to see a real giant

and was disappointed. Together with Frida he went down to a lake and there on the other side a gigantic dinosaur actually stood, quite still, browsing among the leaves of the high trees. Erik got his camera out and took some pictures. Erik and Frida were hungry and had their packet of food before they hurried around the lake. When they got there the big dinosaur unfortunately was away. Left on the ground was however a giant egg that the dinosaur probably had laid.

