

In the expansion of  $(a + b)^7$ , the sum of the exponents on  $a$  and  $b$  is

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- A) 0  
B) 5  
C) 7  
D) 8

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Answer **C**.