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LEAP YEARS RULES SINCE 1582 A.D.

1 year = 365.24219 days

In 4 years the decimal part would be $(4 \times .24219 \text{ days}) 0.96876 \text{ days so}$ rounded we add a day every 4 years. RULE #1: If the year is evenly divisible by 4 we have a leap year.

In 100 years the decimal part would be 24.219 days and 100/4 = 25 which is one to many so we don't have a leap year ever 100 years. RULE #2: If the year ends in two 00's skip the leap year.

In 400 years the decimal part would be $400 \times 24219 = 96.876$ days of which we've had 24 leap years each 100 years; thus it would be $4 \times 24 = 96$ leap years and it is closer to 97 so we again have a leap year every 400 years. RULE #3: If the year is evenly divisible by 400 have a leap year.

WILL YEAR 2000 A.D. HAVE A LEAP YEAR????? Yes or No

KONICHEK'S ADDED RULE: Over 3,200 years you would have 3200X.24219=775.008 days in the decimal part of which having 97 leap years every 400 years would give you 97 X 8 (four hundred year segments) = 776, which is one year to many. Konichek's added rule: If the year is evenly divisible by 3200 then skip the leap year.

CAN YOU COME UP WITH THE NEXT RULE TO KEEP OUR SEASONS STRAIGHT?????

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