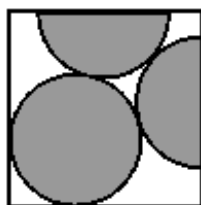




23. In the diagram, the circle and the two semicircles have radius 1. What is the perimeter of the square?

A  $6 + 4\sqrt{2}$     B  $2 + 4\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3}$     C  $3\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{3}$   
 D  $4 + 2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{6}$     E    12



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23. **D** Let the vertices of the square be  $A, B, C, D$  and the centres of the circle and the two semicircles be  $P, Q, R$ , as shown. The midpoint of  $QR$  is  $S$ . By symmetry,  $P$  and  $S$  both lie on diagonal  $BD$  of square  $ABCD$  and the whole figure is symmetrical about  $BD$ .

As  $P$  is distance 1 from both  $AD$  and  $DC$ , the length of  $DP$  is  $\sqrt{2}$ .

As the circles and semicircles are mutually tangent,  $PQR$  is an equilateral triangle of side 2, so the length of  $PS$  is  $\sqrt{3}$ . As angles  $QBS$  and  $BSQ$  are  $45^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$  respectively, triangle  $SBQ$  is isosceles, so  $SB = SQ = 1$ . Hence the length of  $BD$  is  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + 1$ . Now the length of the side of the square is  $BD \div \sqrt{2}$  so the perimeter of the square is  $4 \times (BD \div \sqrt{2})$ , that is  $2\sqrt{2} \times BD$ .

So the perimeter is  $2\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + 1)$ , that is  $4 + 2\sqrt{6} + 2\sqrt{2}$ .

