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If  $a, b > 0$  and  $a + b = 2$  then:

$$2(\sqrt{a+3} + \sqrt{b+3}) + 3(\sqrt{a+8} + \sqrt{b+8}) \leq 26$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & 2(\sqrt{a+3} + \sqrt{b+3}) + 3(\sqrt{a+8} + \sqrt{b+8}) \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \\ & \leq 2\sqrt{2(a+3+b+3)} + 3\sqrt{2(a+8+b+8)} = \\ & = 2\sqrt{2(a+b)+12} + 3\sqrt{2(a+b)+32} \stackrel{a+b=2}{=} 2\sqrt{16} + 3\sqrt{36} = 26 \end{aligned}$$

*Equality holds for  $a = b = 1$*