Capital Budgeting

Mason Co. is evaluating two alternative investment proposals. Below are data for each proposal:  
  

The following information was taken from present value tables:  
    
  
All revenue and expenses other than depreciation will be received and paid in cash. The company uses a discount rate of 12% in evaluating all capital investments.

Compute the following for each proposal (round payback period to the nearest tenth of a year and round return on average investment to the nearest tenth of a percent):

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|  | **Proposal A** | **Proposal B** |
| (a) Annual net cash flow: | $ | $ |
| (b) Payback period (in years): |  |  |
| (c) Average investment: | $ | $ |
| (d) Return on average investment: | % | % |
| (e) Net present value: | $ | $ |
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 (f) Based on your analysis, which proposal appears to be the best investment?