

Chapter 14 - Embracing the Odds in Probability

Objective: I can calculate probabilities from equally likely outcomes and use complements.

Write each probability as a simplified fraction and show favorable and total outcomes.

1. A fair number cube is rolled. Find $P(\text{number greater than } 4)$.	2. One card is selected from a standard 52-card deck. Find $P(\text{heart})$.
3. One letter is selected from ALGEBRA. Find $P(\text{vowel})$.	4. If $P(\text{rain}) = 0.35$, find $P(\text{no rain})$.
5. List the sample space for two fair coin tosses and find $P(\text{exactly one head})$.	6. Two fair number cubes are rolled. Find the number of ordered outcomes and $P(\text{sum } 2)$.

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Objective: I can compare experimental and theoretical probability and predict long-run frequency.

State whether each result is experimental, theoretical, or an expectation.

7. A trial succeeds 48 times in 80 attempts. Find the experimental probability.	8. A fair device produces 1 through 8 equally often. Find $P(\text{multiple of } 3)$.
9. A coin gives 68 heads in 120 tosses. Compare the experimental probability with the theoretical value.	10. How many sixes are expected in 300 rolls of a fair number cube?
11. A sample contains 7 defective items among 250. Estimate the defect probability and percent.	12. Using Question 11's rate, estimate the expected number of defective items among 1,800.

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Objective: I can calculate compound probabilities for independent and dependent events.

Indicate whether replacement makes the events independent or dependent.

13. A fair coin and fair number cube are used. Find $P(\text{head and even number})$.	14. Two cards are selected with replacement. Find $P(\text{both aces})$.
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17. Using the same bag, find $P(\text{red then blue})$ without replacement.	18. Three fair coins are tossed. Find $P(\text{at least one head})$ using a complement.

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Objective: I can use the Fundamental Counting Principle, permutations, and combinations.

State whether order matters before choosing a counting method.

19. How many outfits can be made from 4 shirts, 3 pants, and 2 pairs of shoes?	20. How many 5-digit PINs are possible if repetition is allowed and leading zero is permitted?
21. How many 4-letter codes can be made from 26 letters without repetition?	22. In how many orders can 6 distinct books be arranged?
23. How many 3-person committees can be selected from 10 people?	24. How many ordered first-, second-, and third-place results are possible among 8 finalists?

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Objective: I can calculate joint, marginal, conditional, and union probabilities from a two-way table.

Use

	<i>B</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>T</i>
<i>G9</i>	18	12	10	40
<i>G10</i>	15	5	20	40
<i>T</i>	33	17	30	80

 for Questions 25-30.

25. Find $P(\text{bus})$.

26. Find $P(\text{Grade 10 and car})$.

27. Find $P(\text{car} \mid \text{Grade 10})$.

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29. Are grade level and bus use independent? Justify numerically.

30. Find $P(\text{walk or Grade 9})$.

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Objective: I can apply union, intersection, complement, and independence rules.

Write the probability rule used before substituting values.

31. If $P(A) = 0.45$, $P(B) = 0.30$, and $P(A \cap B) = 0.12$, find $P(A \cup B)$.	32. Using Question 31, find $P(\text{neither } A \text{ nor } B)$.
33. Mutually exclusive events have probabilities 0.25 and 0.40. Find their union probability.	34. If $P(A \cup B) = 0.72$, $P(A) = 0.48$, and $P(B) = 0.39$, find $P(A \cap B)$.
35. Independent events have $P(A) = 0.60$ and $P(B) = 0.35$. Find their intersection and union probabilities.	36. Explain why mutually exclusive events with nonzero probabilities cannot be independent.

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Objective: I can calculate expected value, judge fairness, and estimate applied risk.

Treat money paid as negative and use complements when efficient.

37. A game pays \$8 with probability 0.25 and loses \$2 otherwise. Find the expected value.	38. A game costs \$3 and awards \$12 with probability $1/4$, otherwise 0. Find expected net value and judge fairness.
39. A raffle has 200 tickets, one \$500 prize, and \$4 ticket cost. Find expected net value per ticket.	40. For $\begin{array}{c cccc} X & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline P & .1 & .3 & .4 & .2 \end{array}$, find $E(X)$.
41. Is 0.20, 0.35, 0.25, 0.20 a valid probability model? Justify.	42. Is 0.40, 0.35, 0.30 a valid probability model? Justify.
43. Rain probability is 0.20 each of two independent days. Find $P(\text{no rain both days})$.	44. An item is defective with probability 0.03. For 4 independent items, find $P(\text{at least one defective})$.

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Objective: I can solve applied, conditional, error-analysis, and honors probability problems.

Show a complete probability model and simplify all exact results.

45. A birth month is equally likely among 12 months. Find $P(\text{June or July})$.	46. A condition affects 2%. A test detects 90% of cases and has 5% false positives. Find $P(\text{condition} \mid \text{positive})$.
47. A student says $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$ always. If probabilities are 0.40, 0.50, 0.20 for $A, B, A \cap B$, correct the error.	48. A bag has 6 green and 4 yellow items. Correct a student's $(6/10)^2$ calculation for two greens without replacement.
49. Honors challenge: In 4 independent trials with success probability 0.30, find $P(\text{exactly 2 successes})$.	50. Honors challenge: Choose Box A or B equally. A has 3 red, 1 blue; B has 1 red, 3 blue. Given red, find $P(A)$.

Other topics for review:

- The complement rule is especially useful for “at least one” events.
- Replacement preserves original probabilities; no replacement changes them.
- Use permutations when order matters and combinations when it does not.
- Conditional probability restricts the sample space to the stated condition.
- Expected value describes a long-run average, not a guaranteed single outcome.