

Probability, Permutation and Combination
Solution

Answer: (1 – 5): Let Number of Red balls be R,
Blue balls be B, Green balls be G and Total
balls be T

Box P:

Total number of balls = $32 - 10 - 10 = 12$
Since the probability of choosing a Blue ball
is $1/4 = 3/12$

\Rightarrow Number of blue balls = 3

Since the number of red balls is 2 more than
the number of blue balls

$\Rightarrow R = B + 2 = 5$

$\Rightarrow G = 12 - 3 - 5 = 4$

Box Q:

Total number of balls = 10

Ratio of probability of getting a Blue and a
Red ball is 2 : 3.

Suppose the number of Blue and red balls is
 $2x$ & $3x$

Sum of Blue and Green balls is 4 more than
the number of red balls

$\Rightarrow 2x + (10 - 5x) = 4 + 3x$

$\Rightarrow 6x = 6$

$\Rightarrow x = 1$

$\Rightarrow R = 3, B = 2$ and $G = 10 - 3 - 2 = 5$

Box R:

Total number of balls = 10

Since total number of blue balls in all the
boxes is 9

\Rightarrow Number of blue balls in box R

$= 9 - 3 - 2 = 4$

Since the probability of getting a red is $1/5$
less than the probability of getting a blue

$\Rightarrow B/10 - R/10 = 1/5$

$\Rightarrow B - R = 2$

Hence, $R = 2$

$\Rightarrow G = 10 - 4 - 2 = 4$

Box	Red Balls	Blue Balls	Green Balls	Total Balls
P	5	3	4	12
Q	3	2	5	10
R	2	4	4	10
Total	10	9	13	32

1.

Answer: (B):

\Rightarrow Number of red balls in Boxes P and R
 $= 5 + 2 = 7$

\Rightarrow Number of green balls in boxes Q and R
 $= 5 + 4 = 9$

\therefore Required ratio = $7 : 9$

2.

Answer: (C)

Total number of balls in box R = 10

Number of blue and green balls in box R is 4
and 4 respectively

\therefore Probability of getting either a blue or a
green ball from box R = $(4 + 4) / 10 = 8/10$
 $= 4/5$

3.

Answer: (A)

Probability of drawing red ball from box P
 $= 5/12$

Probability of drawing red ball from box Q
 $= 3/10$

Probability of drawing red ball from box R
 $= 2/10 = 1/5$

\therefore Probability of getting all the 3 balls red
 $= 5/12 \times 3/10 \times 1/5 = 1/40$

4.

Answer: (D):

Probability of drawing a green ball from box
Q = $5/10 = 1/2 = 0.5$

Probability of drawing a blue ball from box
R
 $= 4/10 = 2/5 = 0.4$

\therefore Required difference = $0.5 - 0.4 = 0.1$

5.

Answer: (E):

Probability of drawing a red ball from box Q
 $= 3/10$

Since the probability increases by $7/60$

\Rightarrow Increased probability = $3/10 + 7/60 =$
 $25/60 = 5/12$

\Rightarrow Number of increased red balls in box Q
 $= 5 - 3 = 2$

$\therefore x = 2/2 = 1$

6.

Answer: (C):

Quantity I:

Probability of picking 2 tiles such that one is
green and the other one is blue

$$\Rightarrow (6 \times 9)^{50} C_2$$

$$\Rightarrow 54/(50 \times 49/2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 54/1225$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.044$$

Quantity II:

Probability of picking 3 balls such that at least one of them is red

$$\Rightarrow 1 - {}^{45}C_3 / {}^{50}C_3$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - (45 \times 44 \times 43/3) / (50 \times 49 \times 48/3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - (14190/19600)$$

$$\Rightarrow 541/1960$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.276$$

Quantity III:

Probability of picking 3 balls such that at least one of them is blue

$$\Rightarrow 1 - {}^{41}C_3 / {}^{50}C_3$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - (41 \times 40 \times 39/3) / (50 \times 49 \times 48/3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - (10660/19600)$$

$$\Rightarrow 894/1960$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.456$$

Quantity III > Quantity II > Quantity I

7. **Answer:: (B)**

Given:

A bag contains four white and six black balls.

Calculation:

Probability that the first ball chosen is white = $4/10$

Probability that the second ball chosen is white = $3/9$

Probability that the third ball chosen is white = $2/8$

Probability that all are white

$$= 4/10 \times 3/9 \times 2/8 = 1/30$$

8. **Answer: (D)**

Vowels = A, U and E

We need to consider that all A, U and E come together thus consider them as a single group

\Rightarrow Number of words that can be formed = $5! \times 3!$

Total number of words that can be formed = $7!$

\therefore Required probability = (Total number of words when vowels occur together)/(Total number of words formed) = $(5! \times 3!)/7!$
 $= (5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1) \times (3 \times 2 \times 1) / (7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1)$
 $= 1/7$

9. **Answer: (E)**

Quantity A:

Probability of getting green ball is $1/4$

We know that, Probability = Favourable outcomes/Total outcomes

$$\text{Probability} = x/(12 + x)$$

$$1/4 = x/(12 + x)$$

$$3x = 12$$

$$x = 4$$

Quantity B = 4

Hence Quantity A = Quantity B

10. **Answer: (A)**

Total number of persons = 3 girls + 4 boys = 7

The girls always sit together. Considering three girls as one person, we have 5 persons who can be arranged in $5!$ Ways. But corresponding to each way of these arrangements, the girls can be arranged together in $3!$ Ways.

Hence,

$$\text{Required number of ways} = 5! \times 3!$$

$$= 120 \times 6 = 720$$

11. **Answer: (D)**

Probability of drawing one green ball

$$= \frac{x}{12 + x} = \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow x = 8$$

\therefore Required Probability

$$= \frac{{}^2C_2}{{}^{15}C_2} = \frac{5 \times 4}{15 \times 14} = \frac{2}{21}$$

12. **Answer: (C)**

Let the number of green balls be x .

Then, number of yellow balls $(12 - x)$

ATQ,

$$\frac{{}^xC_1}{{}^{20}C_1} = \frac{7}{20} \Rightarrow x = 7$$

Number of yellow balls = $12 - 7 = 5$

$$\text{Required probability} = \frac{{}^5C_1}{{}^{20}C_1} \times \frac{{}^4C_1}{{}^{19}C_1} = \frac{1}{19}$$

13. **Answer: (D)**

Let the number of red and brown balls be $7x$ and $4x$ respectively.

Then, number of blue balls = $(7x - 6)$

ATQ,

$$7x + 4x + (7x - 6) = 30$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$\text{Number of red balls } 7 \times 2 = 14$$

$$\text{Remaining balls} = 30 - 4 \times 2 = 22$$

$$\text{Required probability} = \frac{{}^{14}C_3}{{}^{22}C_3} = \frac{13}{55}$$

14. **Answer: (A)**

Favorable case = (20, 2M) or (30, 3M) or 40

\therefore Probability

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{{}^6C_2 \times {}^5C_2}{{}^{11}C_4} + \frac{{}^6C_3 \times {}^5C_1}{{}^{11}C_4} + \frac{{}^6C_4}{{}^{11}C_4} \\ & \frac{15 \times 10}{330} + \frac{20 \times 5}{330} + \frac{15}{330} \\ & = \frac{265}{330} = \frac{53}{66} \end{aligned}$$

15. **Answer: (B)**

$$\text{Reqd. probability} = \frac{{}^2C_1 + {}^1C_1}{{}^{12}C_1} = \frac{3}{12} = \frac{1}{4}$$

16. **Answer: (C)**

Reqd. probability

$$= \frac{1}{{}^{12}C_2} (4C_1 \times 8C_1 + 4C_2) = \frac{38}{12 \times 11} \times \frac{219}{33}$$

17. **Answer: (D)**

$$\text{Reqd. probability} = \frac{{}^4C_2 \times {}^5C_1}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{3}{22}$$

18. **Answer: (B)**

$$\text{Total no. of balls} = 5 + 3 + 4 = 12$$

$$\text{Sample space} = n(S) = {}^{12}C_2 = \frac{12 \times 11}{2} = 66$$

$$\begin{aligned} n(E) &= {}^5C_2 + {}^3C_2 + {}^4C_2 = \frac{5 \times 4}{2} + \frac{3 \times 2}{2} + \frac{4 \times 3}{2} \\ &= 10 + 3 + 6 = 19 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Reqd. probability } P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{19}{66}$$

19. **Answer: (C)**

$$\text{Required probability} = \frac{3}{15} \times \frac{10}{22} = \frac{1}{11}$$

20. **Answer: (B)**

Probability that both balls are either Red or

$$\text{White} = \frac{{}^4C_2 + {}^6C_2}{{}^{20}C_2} = \frac{6 + 15}{190} = \frac{21}{190}$$

Probability that both balls are of different colours (RWO, RWB, WOB and ROB)

$$= \frac{(4 \times 6 \times 2) + (4 \times 6 \times 8) + (6 \times 2 \times 8) + (4 \times 2 \times 8)}{{}^{20}C_3}$$

$$= \frac{20}{57}$$

Quantity I < Quantity II