

RD SHARMA Solutions for Class 9 Maths Chapter 25 - Probability

Chapter 25 - Probability Exercise 25.16

Question 1

The probability of an impossible event is

- (a) 1
- (b) 0
- (c) less than 0
- (d) greater than 1

Solution 1

The probability of an impossible event is always zero since the chances of occurring of that event is zero.

Hence, correct option is (b).

Question 2

The probability of a certain event is

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) greater than 1
- (d) less than 0

Solution 2

The chances of occurring of an certain event is always 100%.

$$\text{Probability} = \frac{\text{No. of Favorable cases}}{\text{Total No. of cases}}$$

Thus, for a certain event,

number of favorable cases = Total number of cases

$$\Rightarrow \text{Probability} = 1$$

Hence, correct option is (b).

Question 3

The probability an event of a trial is

- (a) 1
- (b) 0
- (c) less than 1
- (d) more than 1

Solution 3

$$\text{Probability of an event} = \frac{\text{No. of favorable cases}}{\text{Total No. of cases}}$$

Since number of favourable cases can not be greater than total number of cases,
probability < 1

Hence, correct option is (c).

Question 4

Which of the following cannot be probability of an event?

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}$
- (b) $\frac{3}{5}$
- (c) $\frac{5}{3}$
- (d) 1

Solution 4

The probability of an event always lies between 0 and 1.

Since $\frac{5}{3} > 1$, it cannot be the probability of an event.

Hence, correct option is (c).

Question 5

Two coins are tossed simultaneously. The probability of getting atmost one head is

(a) $\frac{1}{4}$

(b) $\frac{3}{4}$

(c) $\frac{1}{2}$

(d) $\frac{1}{4}$

Solution 5

If two coins are tossed simultaneously, then possible cases are HH, TH, HT, TT

Total number of cases = 4

Number of favorable cases (atmost one head) = (HT, TH, TT) = 3

Now, probability of getting atmost one Head = $\frac{3}{4}$

Hence, correct option is (b).

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Question 6

A coin is tossed 1000 times, if the probability of getting a tail is $\frac{3}{8}$, how many times head is obtained?

(a) 525

(b) 375

(c) 625

(d) 725

Solution 6

$$\text{Probability of getting a tail} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Probability of getting a head} = 1 - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\text{Also, probability of getting a head} = \frac{\text{No. of Heads obtained}}{\text{Total no. of trials}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{8} = \frac{\text{No. of Heads obtained}}{1000}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{No. of Heads obtained} = \frac{5}{8} \times 1000 = 625$$

Hence, correct option is (c).

Question 7

A dice is rolled 600 times and the occurrence of the outcomes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 are given below:

Outcome	1	2	3	4	5	6
frequency	200	30	120	100	50	100

The probability of getting a prime number is

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}$
 (b) $\frac{2}{3}$
 (c) $\frac{49}{60}$
 (d) $\frac{39}{125}$

Solution 7

Prime numbers in 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 are: 2, 3, 5

Number of times 2, 3, 5 occur = $30 + 120 + 50 = 200$

Total number of cases = $200 + 30 + 120 + 100 + 50 + 100 = 600$

Required Probability = $\frac{\text{Cases when we obtained (2, 3, 5)}}{\text{Total No. of cases}} = \frac{200}{600} = \frac{1}{3}$

Hence, correct option is (a).

Question 8

The percentage of attendance of different classes in a year in a school is given below:

Class: X IX VIII VII VIV

Attendance: 30 62 85 92 76 55

What is the probability that the class attendance is more than 75%?

- (a) $\frac{1}{6}$
 (b) $\frac{1}{3}$
 (c) $\frac{5}{6}$
 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$

Solution 8

Total number of classes = 6

Number of classes having attendance > 75% = VIII, VII, VI = 3

\Rightarrow Required Probability = $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$

Hence, correct option is (d).

Question 9

A bag contains 50 coins and each coin is marked from 51 to 100. One coin is picked at random. The probability that the number on the coin is not a prime number, is

- (a) $\frac{1}{5}$
 (b) $\frac{3}{5}$
 (c) $\frac{2}{5}$
 (d) $\frac{4}{5}$

Solution 9

Prime numbers from 51 to 100:

53, 59, 61, 67, 71, 73, 79, 83, 89, 97

⇒ Number of prime numbers = 10

⇒ Number of non – prime numbers = 50 – 10 = 40

Total numbers = 50

Thus, probability of getting non – prime number = $\frac{40}{50} = \frac{4}{5}$

Hence, correct option is (d).

Question 10

In a football match, Ronaldo makes 4 goals from 10 penalty kicks. The probability of converting a penalty kick into a goal by Ronaldo, is

(a) $\frac{1}{4}$

(b) $\frac{1}{6}$

(c) $\frac{1}{3}$

(d) $\frac{2}{5}$

Solution 10

Probability that Ronaldo makes a goal = $\frac{\text{Number of goals made in all kicks}}{\text{Total number of Kicks}} = \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$

Hence, correct option is (d).

Chapter 25 - Probability Exercise Ex. 25.1

Question 1

A coin is tossed 1000 times with the following frequencies:

Head : 455, Tail : 545

Compute the probability for each event.

Solution 1

Since the coin is tossed 1000 times, the total number of trials is 1000. Let us call the events of getting a head and of getting a tail as E and F, respectively. Then, the number of times E happens, i.e., the number of times a head come up, is 455.

So, the probability of E = $\frac{\text{Number of heads}}{\text{Total number of trials}}$

i.e., $P(E) = \frac{455}{1000} = 0.455$

Similarly, the probability of the event of getting a tail = $\frac{\text{Number of tails}}{\text{Total number of trials}}$

i.e., $P(F) = \frac{545}{1000} = 0.545$

Note that in the example above, $P(E) + P(F) = 0.455 + 0.545 = 1$ and E and F are the only two possible outcomes of each trial.

Question 2

Two coins are tossed simultaneously 500 times with the following frequencies of different outcomes:

Two heads : 95 times

One tail : 290 times

No head : 115 times

Find the probability of occurrence of each of these events.

Solution 2

We know that:

$$\text{Probability of an event} = \frac{\text{Number of trials in which the event happens}}{\text{Total number of trials}}$$

$$P(\text{getting two heads}) = \frac{95}{500} = 0.19$$

$$P(\text{getting one tail}) = \frac{290}{500} = 0.58$$

$$P(\text{getting no head}) = \frac{115}{500} = 0.23$$

Question 3

Three coins are tossed simultaneously 100 times with the following frequencies of different outcomes:

Outcome:	No head	One head	Two heads	Three heads
Frequency:	14	38	36	12

If the three coins are simultaneously tossed again, compute the probability of:

- (i) 2 heads coming up.
- (ii) 3 heads coming up.
- (iii) At least one head coming up.
- (iv) Getting more heads than tails.
- (v) Getting more tails than heads.

Solution 3

Outcome:	No head	One head	Two heads	Three heads
Frequency:	14	38	36	12

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) Probability of 2 heads coming up} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{36}{100} = 0.36 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Probability of 3 heads coming up} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{12}{100} = 0.12 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) Probability of at least one head coming up} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{38 + 36 + 12}{100} \\ &= \frac{86}{100} = 0.86 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv) Probability of getting more heads than tails} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{36 + 12}{100} \\ &= \frac{48}{100} = 0.48 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v) Probability of getting more tails than heads} &= \frac{14 + 38}{100} \\ &= \frac{52}{100} = 0.52 \end{aligned}$$

Question 4

1500 families with 2 children were selected randomly and the following data were recorded:

Number of girls in a family:	0	1	2
Number of	211	814	475

families:			
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If a family is chosen at random, compute the probability that it has:

- (i) No girl
- (ii) 1 girl
- (iii) 2 girls
- (iv) at most one girl
- (v) more girls than boys

Solution 4

$$\text{Total number of families} = 475 + 814 + 211 = 1500$$

$$(i) \text{ Number of families having no girl} = 211$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required probability} &= \frac{\text{Number of families having no girl}}{\text{Total number of families}} \\ &= \frac{211}{1500} = 0.1406 \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Number of families having 1 girl} = 814$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required probability} &= \frac{\text{Number of families having 1 girls}}{\text{Total number of families}} \\ &= \frac{814}{1500} = \frac{407}{750} = 0.5426 \end{aligned}$$

$$(iii) \text{ Number of families having 2 girls} = 475$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required probability} &= \frac{\text{Number of families having 2 girls}}{\text{Total number of families}} \\ &= \frac{475}{1500} = \frac{19}{60} = 0.3166 \end{aligned}$$

$$(iv) \text{ Number of families having at the most one girl} = 211 + 814 = 1025$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required probability} &= \frac{\text{Number of families having at the most one girl}}{\text{Total number of families}} \\ &= \frac{1025}{1500} = 0.6833 \end{aligned}$$

$$(v) \text{ Number of families having more girls than boys} = 475$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required probability} &= \frac{\text{Number of families having more girls than boys}}{\text{Total number of families}} \\ &= \frac{475}{1500} = 0.3166 \end{aligned}$$

Question 5

In a cricket match, a batsman hits a boundary 6 times out of 30 balls he plays.

Find the probability that on a ball played:

(i) he hits boundary

(ii) he does not hit a boundary.

Solution 5

Number of times batsman hits a boundary = 6

Total number of balls played = 30

\therefore Number of times that the batsman does not hit a boundary = $30 - 6 = 24$

(i) P(he hits a boundary)

$$= \frac{\text{Number of times when he hits boundary}}{\text{Total number of balls played}}$$

$$= \frac{6}{30} = \frac{1}{5}$$

(ii) P(he does not hit a boundary)

$$= \frac{\text{Number of times when he does not hit boundary}}{\text{Total number of balls played}}$$

$$= \frac{24}{30} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Question 6

The percentage of marks obtained by a student in monthly unit tests are given below:

Units Test:	I	II	III	IV	V
Percentage of marks obtained:	69	71	73	68	76

Find the probability that the student gets:

(i) More than 70% marks

(ii) less than 70% marks

(iii) a distinction.

Solution 6

(i) Let A be the event of getting more than 70% marks

The number of times A happens is 3

$$\therefore p(A) = \frac{3}{5} = 0.6$$

(ii) Let B be the event of getting less than 70% marks

The number of times B happens is 2

$$\therefore p(B) = \frac{2}{5} = 0.4$$

(iii) Let C be the event of getting a distinction

The number of times C happens is 1

$$\therefore p(C) = \frac{1}{5} = 0.2$$

Question 7

To know the opinion of the students about mathematics, a survey of 200 students was conducted. The data is recorded in the following table:

Opinion:	Like	Dislike
No. of students:	135	65

Find the probability that a student chosen at random

- (i) likes mathematics
- (ii) Does not like it.

Solution 7

Opinion:	Like	Dislike
No. of students:	135	65

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) Probability that a student likes mathematics} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{135}{200} = 0.675 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Probability that a student does not like mathematics} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{65}{200} = 0.325 \end{aligned}$$

Question 8

The blood groups of 30 students of class IX are recorded as follows:

A, B, O, O, AB, O, A, O, B, A, O, B, A, O, O,
A, AB, O, A, A, O, O, AB, B, A, O, B, A, B, O,

A student is selected at random from the class for blood donation. Find the probability that the blood group of the student chosen is:

- (i) A (ii) B (iii) AB (iv) O

Solution 8

Blood group	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>O</i>	<i>AB</i>	Total
No. of students	9	6	12	3	30

(i) The probability of a student of blood group *A* = $\frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}}$

$$= \frac{9}{30} = 0.3$$

(ii) The probability of a student of blood group *B* = $\frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}}$

$$= \frac{6}{30} = 0.2$$

(iii) The probability of a student of blood group *AB* = $\frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}}$

$$= \frac{3}{30} = 0.1$$

(iv) The probability of a student of blood group *O* = $\frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}}$

$$= \frac{12}{30} = 0.4$$

Question 9

Eleven bags of wheat flour, each marked 5 kg, actually contained the following weights of flour (in kg) :

4.97, 5.05, 5.08 , 5.03 , 5.00 , 5.06 , 5.08 , 4.98 , 5.04 , 5.07, 5.00

Find the probability that any of these bags chosen at random contains more than 5 kg of flour.

Solution 9

Eleven bags of wheat flour, each marked 5 kg, actually contained the following weights of flour (in kg) :

4.97, 5.05, 5.08, 5.03, 5.00, 5.06, 5.08, 4.98, 5.04, 5.07, 5.00

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The probability of a bag having weight more than 5 kg of flour} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{7}{11}\end{aligned}$$

Question 10

Following table shows the birth month of 40 students of class IX.

Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
3	4	2	2	5	1	2	5	3	4	4	4

Find the probability that a student was born in August.

Solution 10

The birth month of 40 students of class IX

Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
3	4	2	2	5	1	2	6	3	4	4	4

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The probability that a students was born in August} &= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} \\ &= \frac{6}{40} = \frac{3}{20}\end{aligned}$$

Question 11

Given below is the frequency distribution table regarding the concentration of sulphur dioxide in the air in parts per million of a certain city for 30 days.

Conc. of SO_2	0.00 – 0.04	0.04 – 0.08	0.08 – 0.12	0.12 – 0.16	0.16 – 0.20	0.20 – 0.24
No. of days	4	8	9	2	4	3

Find the probability of concentration of sulphur dioxide in the interval 0.12-0.16 on any of these days.

Solution 11

Given below is the frequency distribution table regarding the concentration of sulphur dioxide in the air in parts per million of a certain city for 30 days.

Conc. Of SO ₂	0.00-0.04	0.04-0.08	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.16-0.20	0.20-0.24
No. of days	4	8	9	2	4	3

Total no. of days = 30

The probability of concentration of SO₂ in the interval 0.12 – 0.16

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{30} = 0.06$$

Question 12

A company selected 2400 families at random and survey them to determine a relationship between income level and the number of vehicles in a home. The information gathered is listed in the table below:

Monthly income: (in Rs)	Vehicles per family			
	0	1	2	Above 2
Less than 7000	10	160	25	0
7000-10000	0	305	27	2
10000-13000	1	535	29	1
13000-16000	2	469	29	25
16000 or more	1	579	82	88

If a family is chosen, find the probability that the family is :

- (i) Earning Rs 10000-13000 per month and owning exactly 2 vehicles.
- (ii) Earning Rs 16000 or more per month and owning exactly 1 vehicle.
- (iii) Earning less than Rs 7000 per month and does not own any vehicle.
- (iv) Earning Rs 13000-16000 per month and owning more than 2 vehicle.
- (v) Owning not more than 1 vehicle.
- (vi) Owning at least one vehicle.

Solution 12

(i) The probability that the family is earning Rs 10000 – 13000 per month and owning exactly 2 vehicles.

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{29}{2400}$$

(ii) The probability that the family is earning Rs 16000 or more per month and owning exactly one vehicle

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{579}{2400}$$

(iii) The probability that the family is earning less than Rs 7000 per month and does not own any vehicles

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{10}{2400} = \frac{1}{240}$$

(iv) The probability that the family is earning Rs 13000 – 16000 per month and owning more than 2 vehicle

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{25}{2400} = \frac{1}{96}$$

(v) The probability that the family is owning not more than 1 vehicle

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{10 + 0 + 1 + 2 + 1 + 160 + 305 + 535 + 469 + 579}{2400} = \frac{2062}{2400} = \frac{1031}{1200}$$

(vi) The probability that the family is owning at least one vehicle

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{160 + 305 + 535 + 469 + 579 + 25 + 27 + 29 + 29 + 82 + 0 + 2 + 1 + 25 + 88}{2400} = \frac{2356}{2400} = \frac{589}{600}$$

Question 13

The following table gives the life time of 400 neon lamps:

Life time (in hours)	300-400	400-500	500-600	600-700	700-800	800-900	900-1000
No. of lamps	14	56	60	86	74	62	48

A bulb is selected at random. Find the probability that the life time of the selected bulb is:

- (i) Less than 400
- (ii) Between 300 to 800 hours
- (iii) At least 700 hours.

Solution 13

Life time (in hours)	300-400	400-500	500-600	600-700	700-800	800-900	900-1000
No. of lamps	14	56	60	86	74	62	48

(i) The probability that the life time of the selected bulb is less than 400

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{14}{400} = \frac{7}{200}$$

(ii) The probability that the life time of the selected bulb is between 300 to 800 hours

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{14 + 56 + 60 + 86 + 74}{400} = \frac{290}{400} = \frac{29}{40}$$

(iii) The probability that the life time of the selected bulb is at least 700 hours

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{74 + 62 + 48}{400} = \frac{184}{400} = \frac{23}{50}$$

Question 14

Given below is the frequency distribution of wages (in Rs) of 30 workers in a certain factory:

Wages (in Rs)	110-130	130-150	150-170	170-190	190-210	210-230	230-250
No. of workers	3	4	5	6	5	4	3

A worker is selected at random. Find the probability that his wages are:

(i) Less than Rs 150

(ii) At least Rs 210

(iii) More than or equal to 150 but less than Rs 210.

Solution 14

Wages (in Rs)	110-130	130-150	150-170	170-190	190-210	210-230	230-250
No. of workers	3	4	5	6	5	4	3

Total no. of workers = 30

(i) The probability that his wages are less than Rs 150

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{3+4}{30} = \frac{7}{30}$$

(ii) The probability that his wages are at least Rs 210

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{4+3}{30} = \frac{7}{30}$$

(iii) The probability that his wages are more than or equal to 150 but less than Rs 210.

$$= \frac{\text{Favourable outcome}}{\text{Total outcome}} = \frac{5+6+5}{30} = \frac{16}{30} = \frac{8}{15}$$