

1. Tickets numbered 1 to 20 are mixed up and then a ticket is drawn at random. What is the probability that the ticket drawn has a number which is a multiple of 3 or 5?

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{2}{5}$$

$$\frac{8}{15}$$

$$\frac{9}{20}$$

Answer: Option

Explanation:

Here, $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 19, 20\}$.

Let E = event of getting a multiple of 3 or 5 = $\{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 5, 10, 20\}$.

$$\therefore P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{9}{20}.$$

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2. A bag contains 2 red, 3 green and 2 blue balls. Two balls are drawn at random. What is the probability that none of the balls drawn is blue?

$$\frac{10}{21}$$

$$\frac{11}{21}$$

$$\frac{2}{7}$$

$$\frac{5}{7}$$

Answer: Option

Explanation:

Total number of balls = $(2 + 3 + 2) = 7$.

Let S be the sample space.

Then, $n(S)$ = Number of ways of drawing 2 balls out of 7

$$= {}^7C_2$$

$$= \frac{(7 \times 6)}{(2 \times 1)}$$

$$= 21.$$

Let E = Event of drawing 2 balls, none of which is blue.

∴ $n(E)$ = Number of ways of drawing 2 balls out of (2 + 3) balls.

$$= {}^5C_2$$

$$= \frac{(5 \times 4)}{(2 \times 1)}$$

$$= 10.$$

$$\therefore P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{10}{21}.$$

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3. In a box, there are 8 red, 7 blue and 6 green balls. One ball is picked up randomly. What is the probability that it is neither red nor green?

$$\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{7}{19}$$

$$\frac{8}{21}$$

$$\frac{9}{21}$$

Answer: Option

Explanation:

Total number of balls = (8 + 7 + 6) = 21.

Let E = event that the ball drawn is neither red nor green

= event that the ball drawn is blue.

∴ $n(E)$ = 7.

$$\therefore P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{7}{21} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

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4. What is the probability of getting a sum 9 from two throws of a dice?

$$\frac{1}{6}$$

$$\frac{1}{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{9}$$

$$\frac{1}{12}$$

Answer: Option

Explanation:

In two throws of a dice, $n(S) = (6 \times 6) = 36$.

Let E = event of getting a sum = {(3, 6), (4, 5), (5, 4), (6, 3)}.

$$\therefore P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

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5. Three unbiased coins are tossed. What is the probability of getting at most two heads?

$$\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{3}{8}$$

$$\frac{7}{8}$$

Answer: Option

Explanation:

Here $S = \{TTT, TTH, THT, HTT, THH, HTH, HHT, HHH\}$

Let E = event of getting at most two heads.

Then $E = \{TTT, TTH, THT, HTT, THH, HTH, HHT\}$.

$$\therefore P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{7}{8}.$$