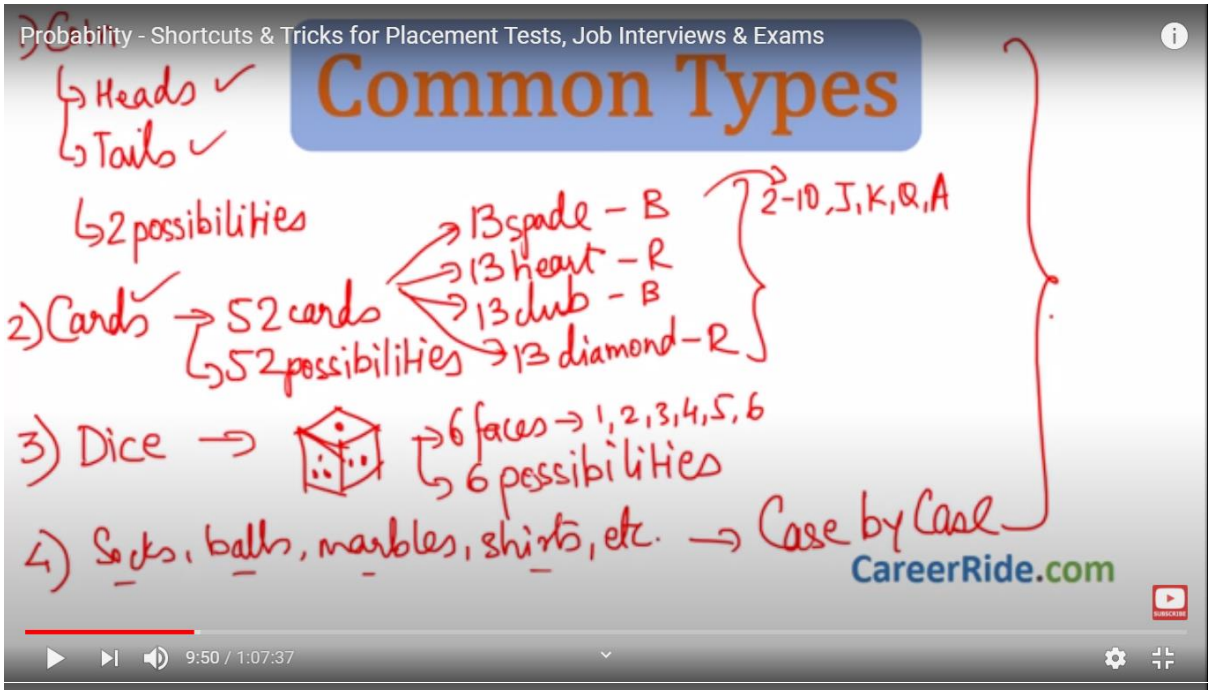
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Common Types
Heads ✓
Tails ✓
2 possibilities
2) Cards → 52 cards
52 possibilities
13 spade - B
13 heart - R
13 club - B
13 diamond - R
2-10, J, K, Q, A
3) Dice → 6 faces → 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
6 possibilities
4) Socks, balls, marbles, shirts, etc. → Case by Case
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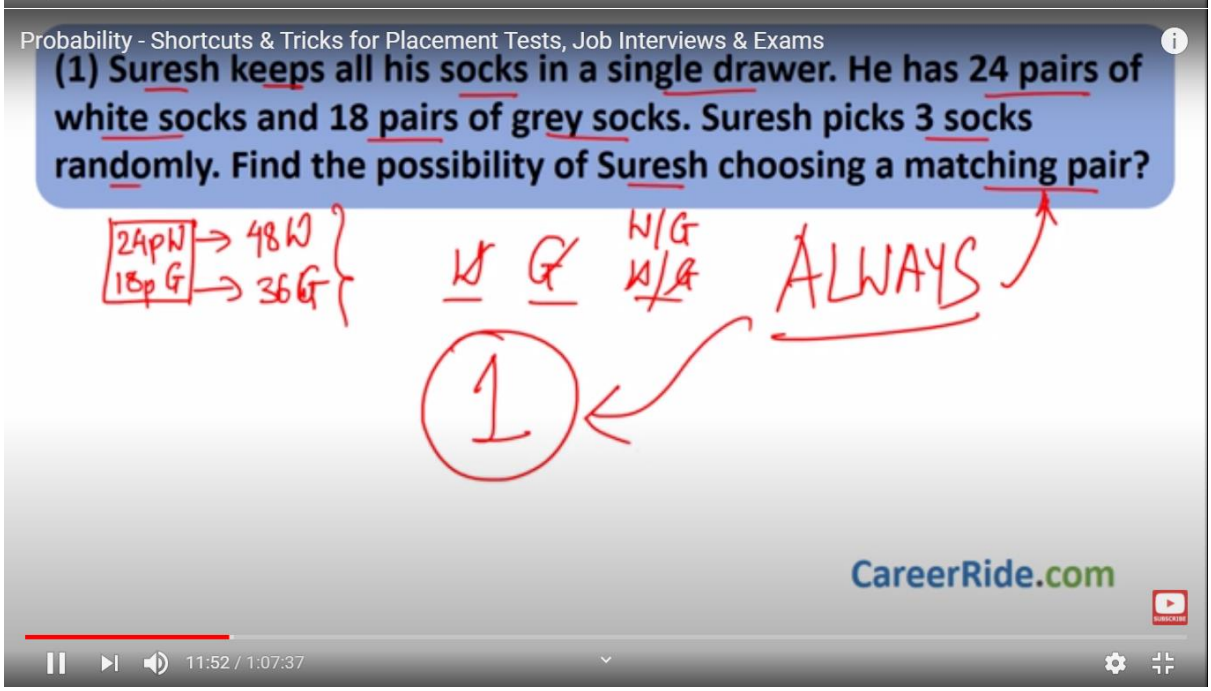
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(1) Suresh keeps all his socks in a single drawer. He has 24 pairs of white socks and 18 pairs of grey socks. Suresh picks 3 socks randomly. Find the possibility of Suresh choosing a matching pair?
24pW → 48W
18pG → 36G
W G W/G
W/G
ALWAYS
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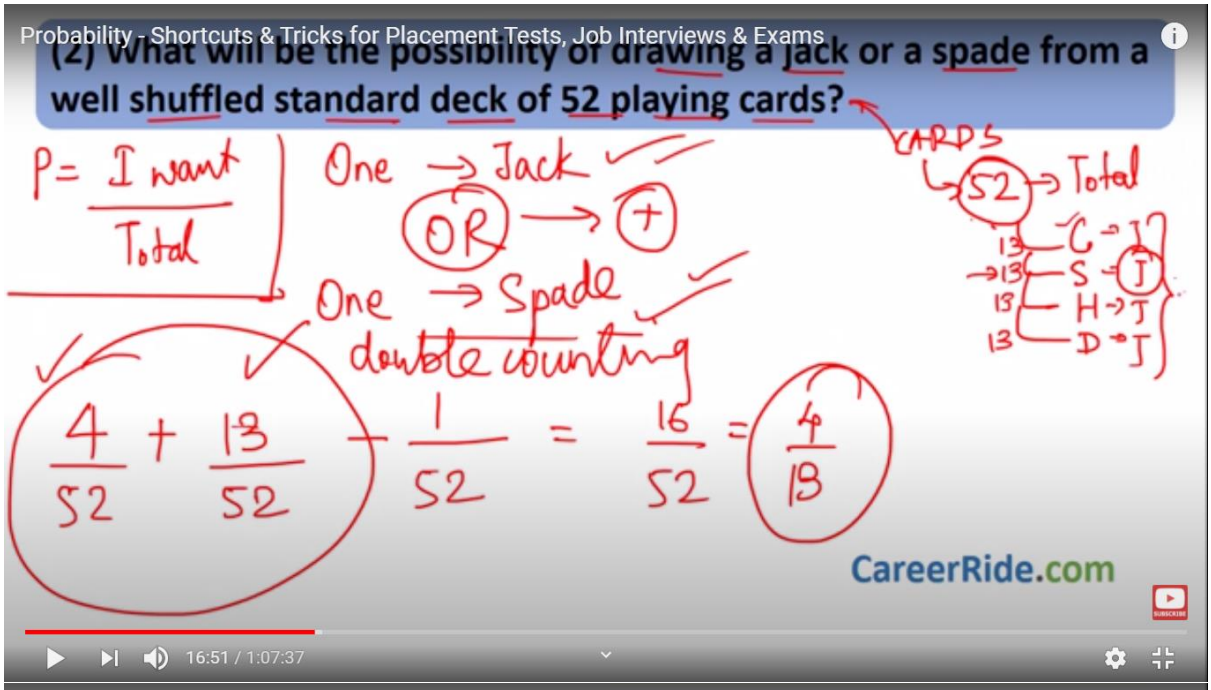
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(2) What will be the possibility of drawing a jack or a spade from a well shuffled standard deck of 52 playing cards?
P = I want / Total
One → Jack
OR → (+)
One → Spade
double counting
CARDS → 52 → Total
13 C → J
13 S → J
13 H → J
13 D → J
4/52 + 13/52 − 1/52 = 16/52 = 4/13
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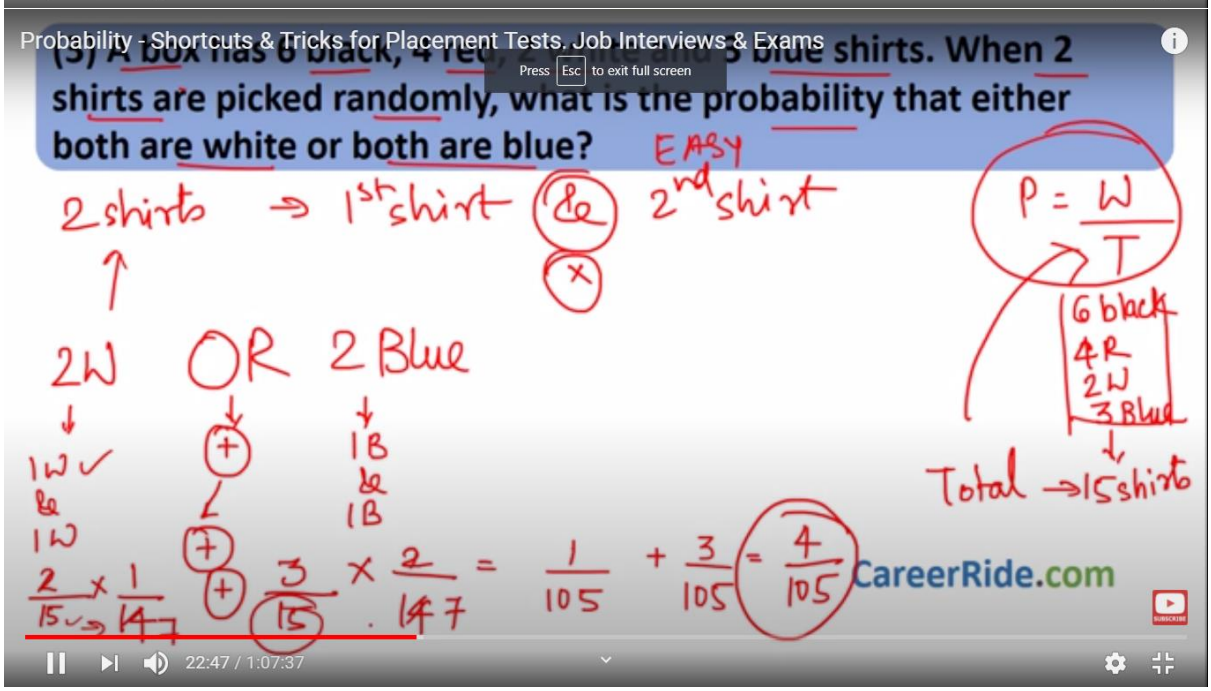
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shirts are picked randomly, what is the probability that either both are white or both are blue?
EASY
2 shirts → 1st shirt (&) 2nd shirt
(×)
P = W / T
6 black
4 R
2 W
3 Blue
Total → 15 shirts
2W OR 2 Blue
1W & 1W
1B & 1B
2/15 × 1/14 (+) 3/15 × 2/14 = 1/105 + 3/105 = 4/105
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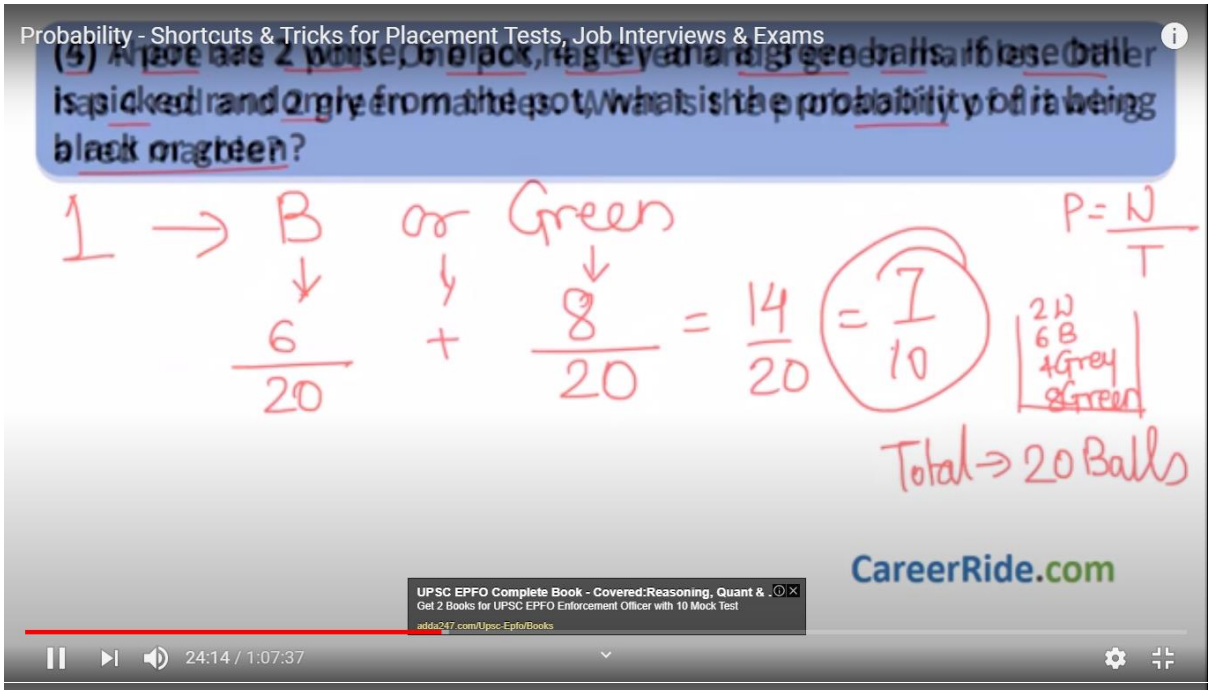
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(5) There are 2 pots, One pot has 5 red and 3 green marbles. Other has 4 red and 2 green marbles. What is the probability of drawing a red marble?
1 → B ↓ 6/20 or + Green ↓ 8/20 = 14/20 = 7/10
P = N/T
2 W
6 B
4 Grey
8 Green
Total → 20 Balls
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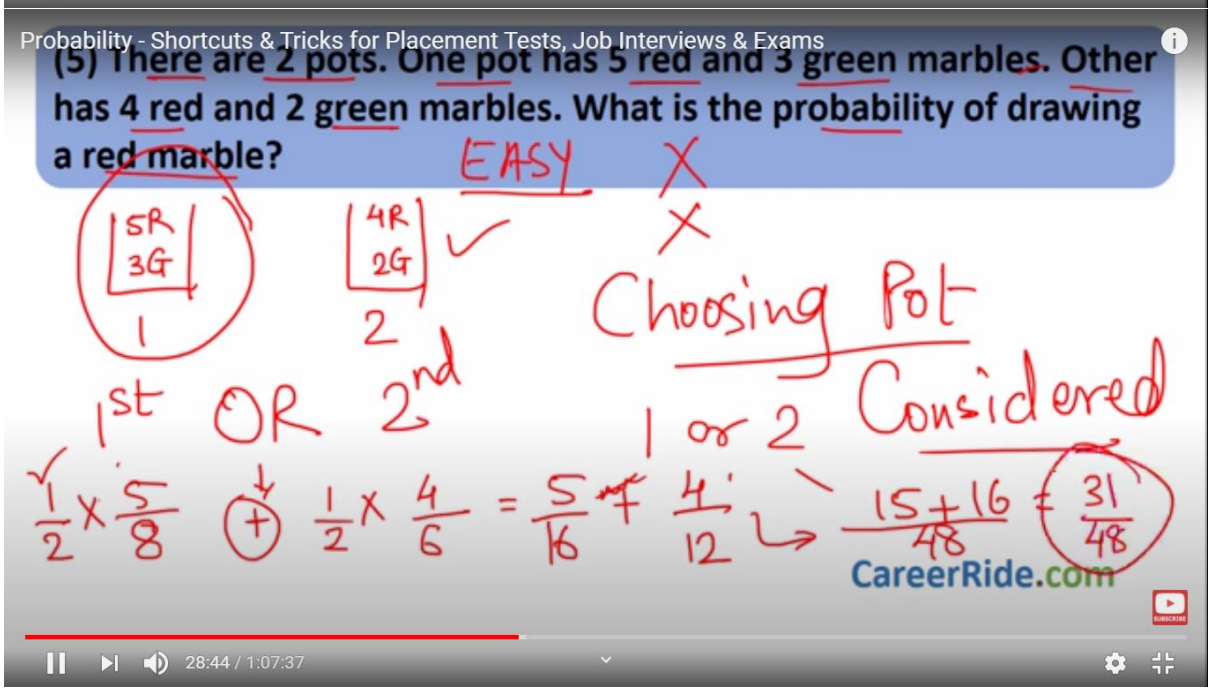
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(5) There are 2 pots. One pot has 5 red and 3 green marbles. Other has 4 red and 2 green marbles. What is the probability of drawing a red marble?
EASY
X
5R 3G 1
4R 2G 2
Choosing Pot
1st OR 2nd
1 or 2
Considered
1/2 X 5/8 + 1/2 X 4/6 = 5/16 + 4/12 → 15+16/48 = 31/48
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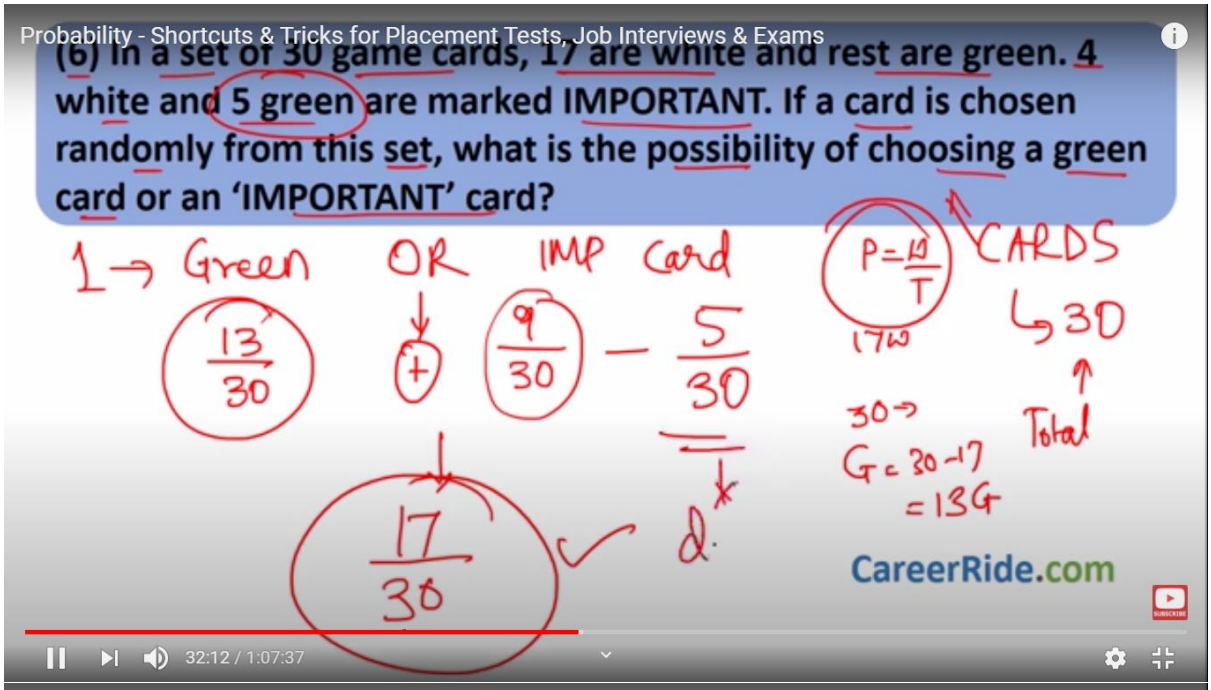
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(6) In a set of 30 game cards, 17 are white and rest are green. 4 white and 5 green are marked IMPORTANT. If a card is chosen randomly from this set, what is the possibility of choosing a green card or an 'IMPORTANT' card?
1→ Green OR IMP Card
13/30
+
9/30 − 5/30
17/30
d.
P=W/T
CARDS
↳30
Total
30→
G = 30−17
= 13G
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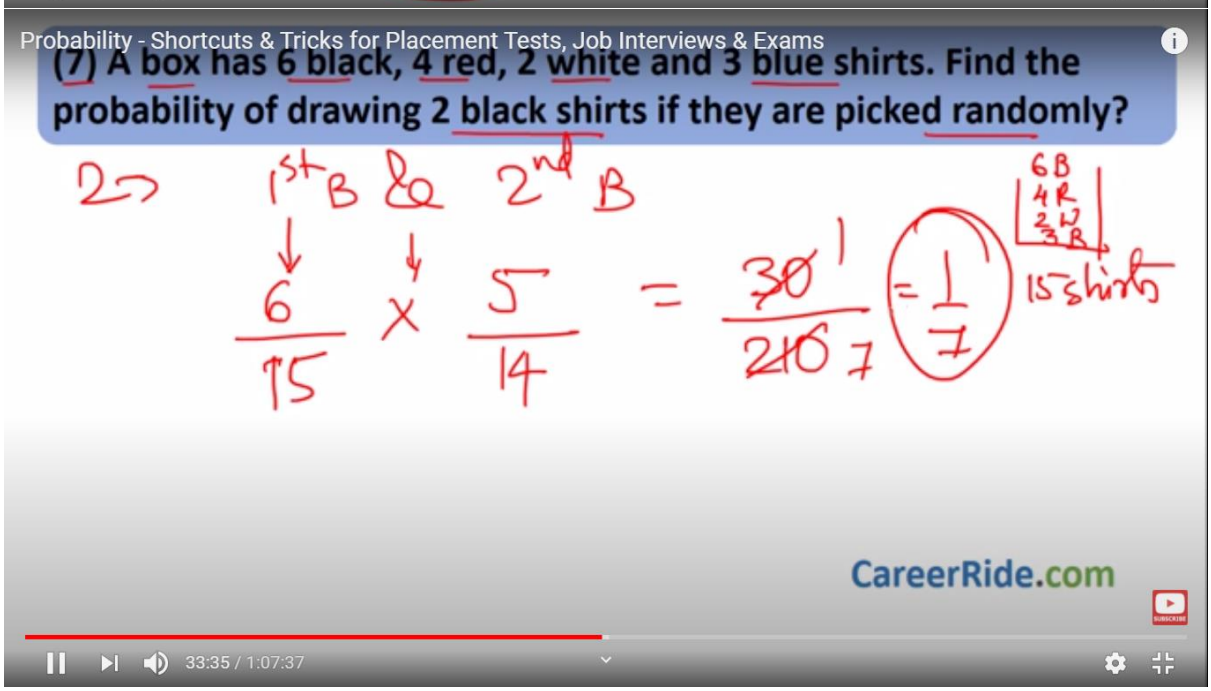
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(7) A box has 6 black, 4 red, 2 white and 3 blue shirts. Find the probability of drawing 2 black shirts if they are picked randomly?
2→ 1st B & 2nd B
6/15 × 5/14 = 30/210 = 1/7
6B
4R
2W
3B
15 shirts
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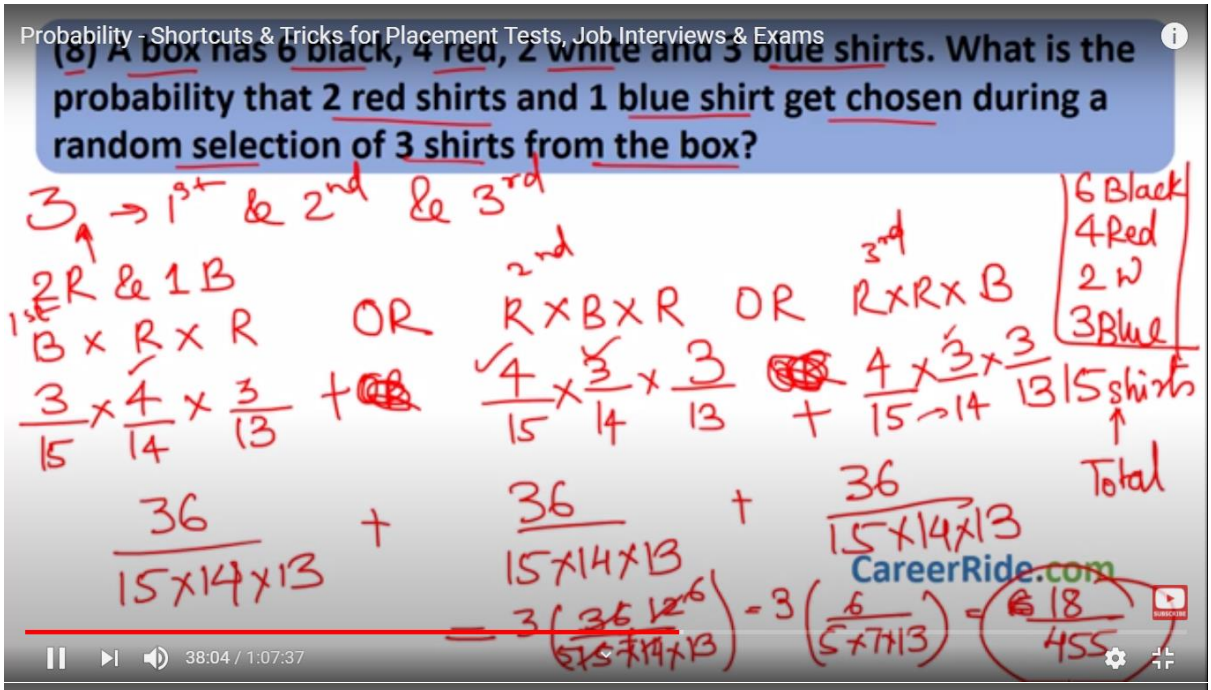
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(8) A box has 6 black, 4 red, 2 white and 3 blue shirts. What is the probability that 2 red shirts and 1 blue shirt get chosen during a random selection of 3 shirts from the box?
6 Black
4 Red
2 W
3 Blue
15 shirts
Total
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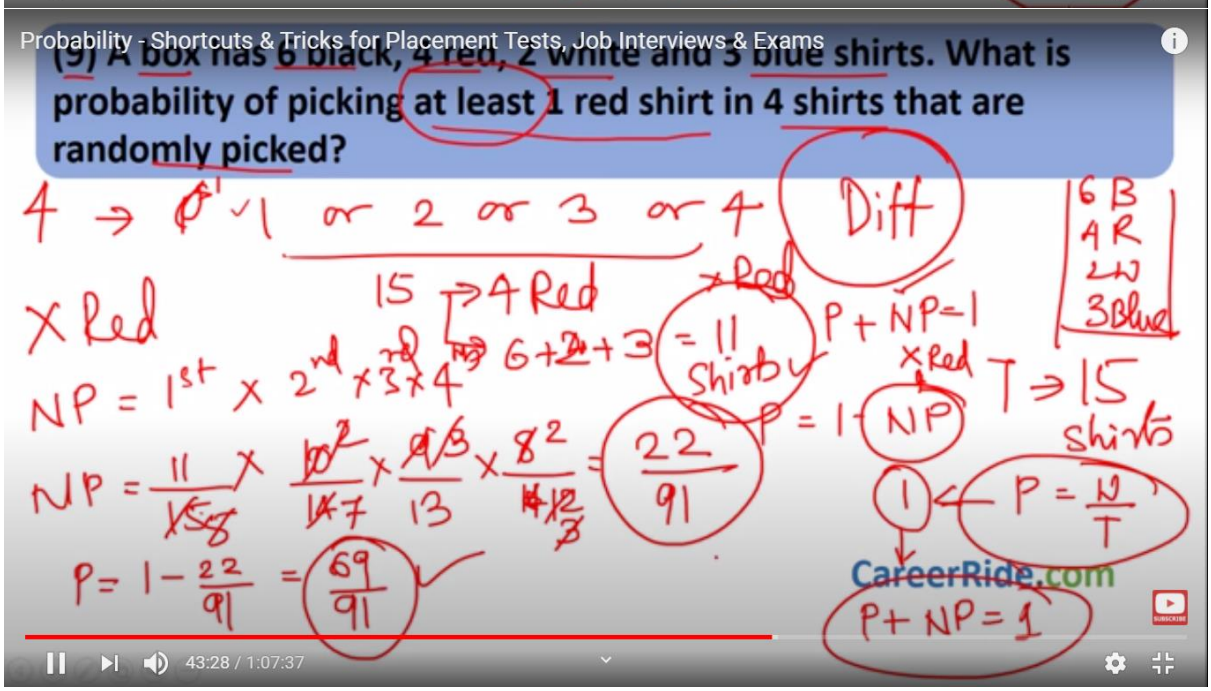
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(9) A box has 6 black, 4 red, 2 white and 3 blue shirts. What is probability of picking at least 1 red shirt in 4 shirts that are randomly picked?
Diff
6 B
4 R
2 W
3 Blue
15 shirts
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P + NP = 1
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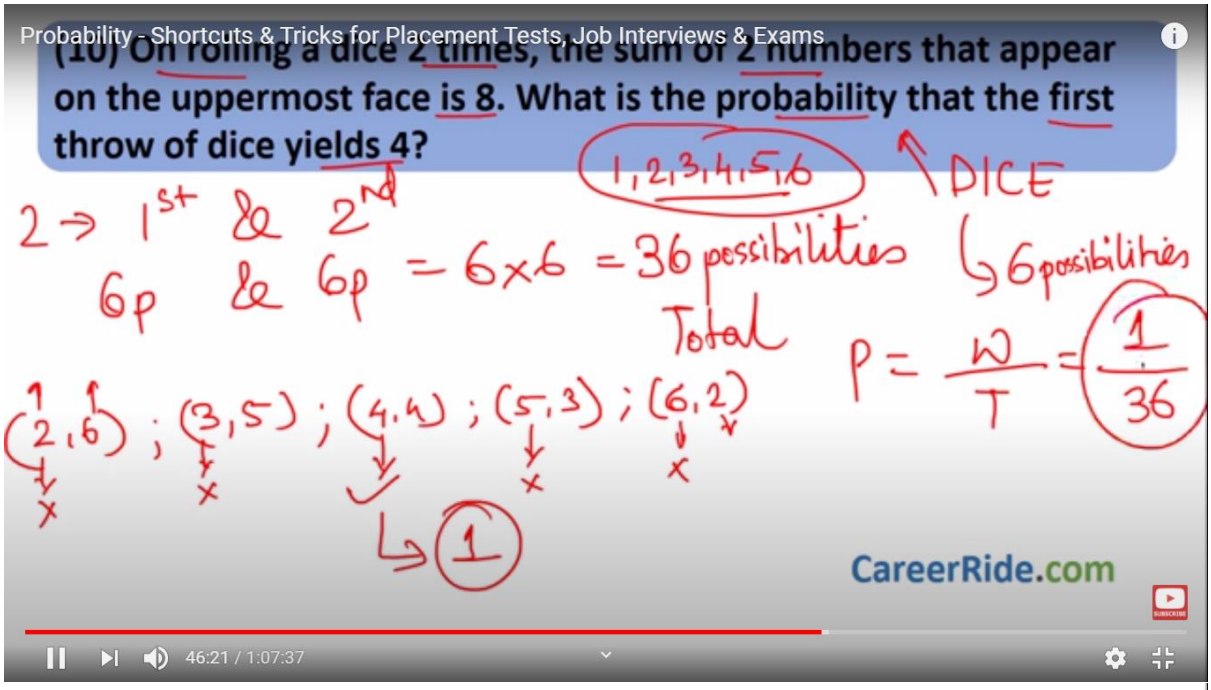
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(10) On rolling a dice 2 times, the sum of 2 numbers that appear on the uppermost face is 8. What is the probability that the first throw of dice yields 4?
1,2,3,4,5,6
DICE
2 → 1st & 2nd
6p & 6p = 6×6 = 36 possibilities
6 possibilities
Total
P = W/T = 1/36
(2,6) ; (3,5) ; (4,4) ; (5,3) ; (6,2)
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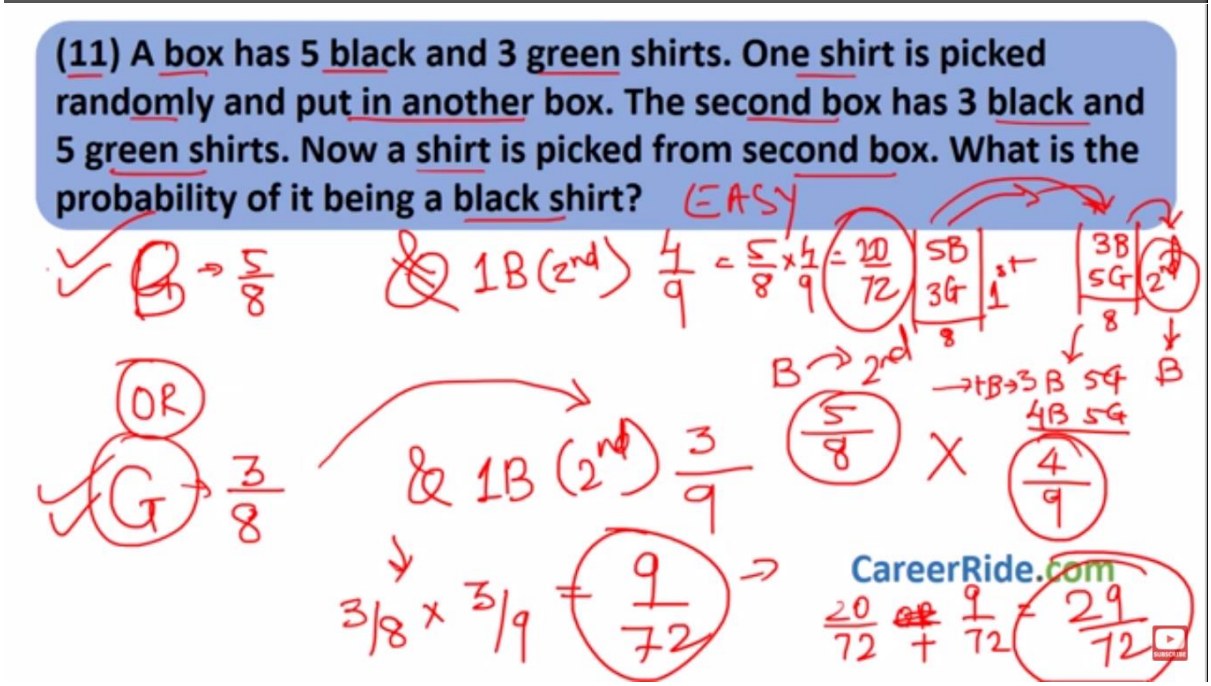
(11) A box has 5 black and 3 green shirts. One shirt is picked randomly and put in another box. The second box has 3 black and 5 green shirts. Now a shirt is picked from second box. What is the probability of it being a black shirt?
EASY
B → 5/8
& 1B (2nd) 4/9 = 5/8 × 4/9 = 20/72
5B 3G
3B 5G
OR
G → 3/8
& 1B (2nd) 3/9
3/8 × 3/9 = 9/72
5/8 × 4/9
4B 5G
20/72 + 9/72 = 29/72
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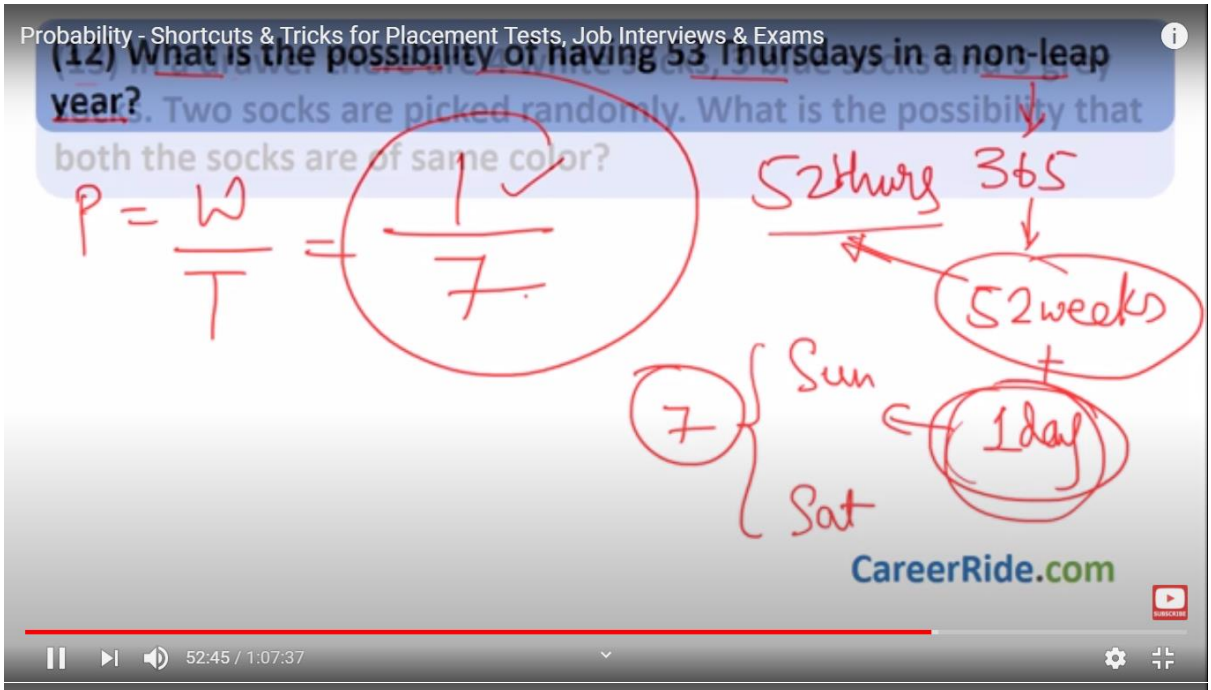
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(12) What is the possibility of having 53 Thursdays in a non-leap year?
both the socks are of same color?
P = W/T = 1/7
52 Thurs
365
52 weeks
1 day
7
Sun
Sat
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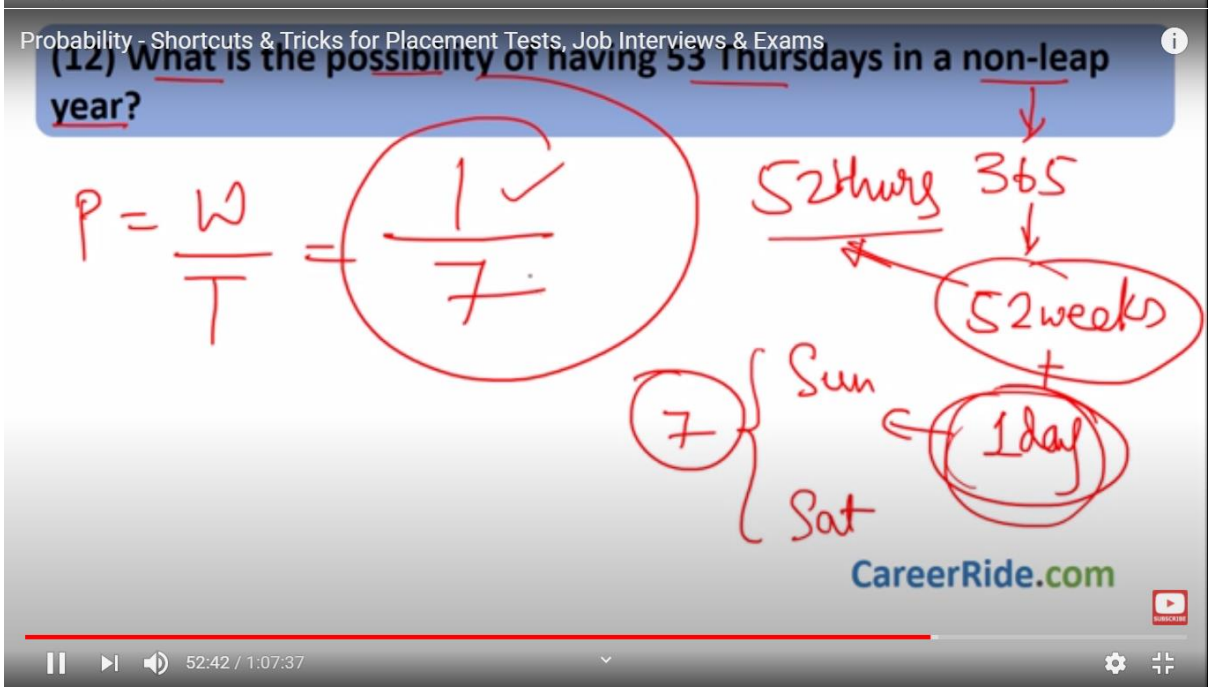
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P = W/T = 1/7
52 Thurs
365
52 weeks
1 day
7
Sun
Sat
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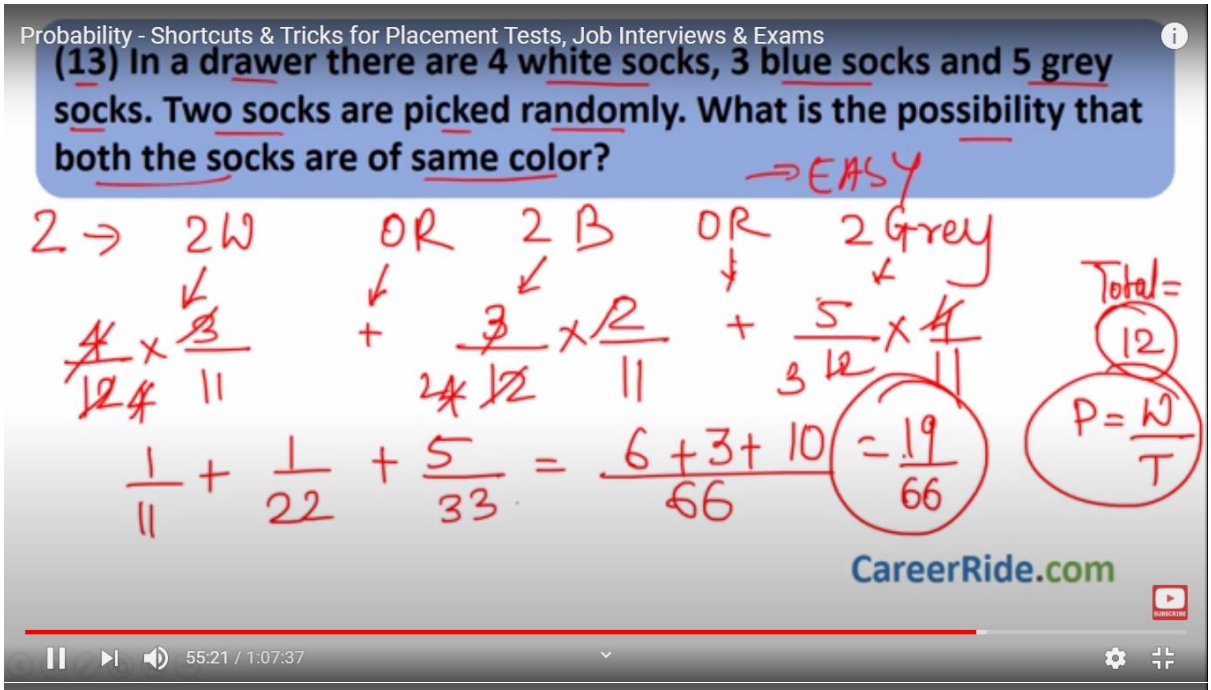
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(13) In a drawer there are 4 white socks, 3 blue socks and 5 grey socks. Two socks are picked randomly. What is the possibility that both the socks are of same color?
⇒EASY
2 → 2W OR 2B OR 2 Grey
Total = 12
P = W/T
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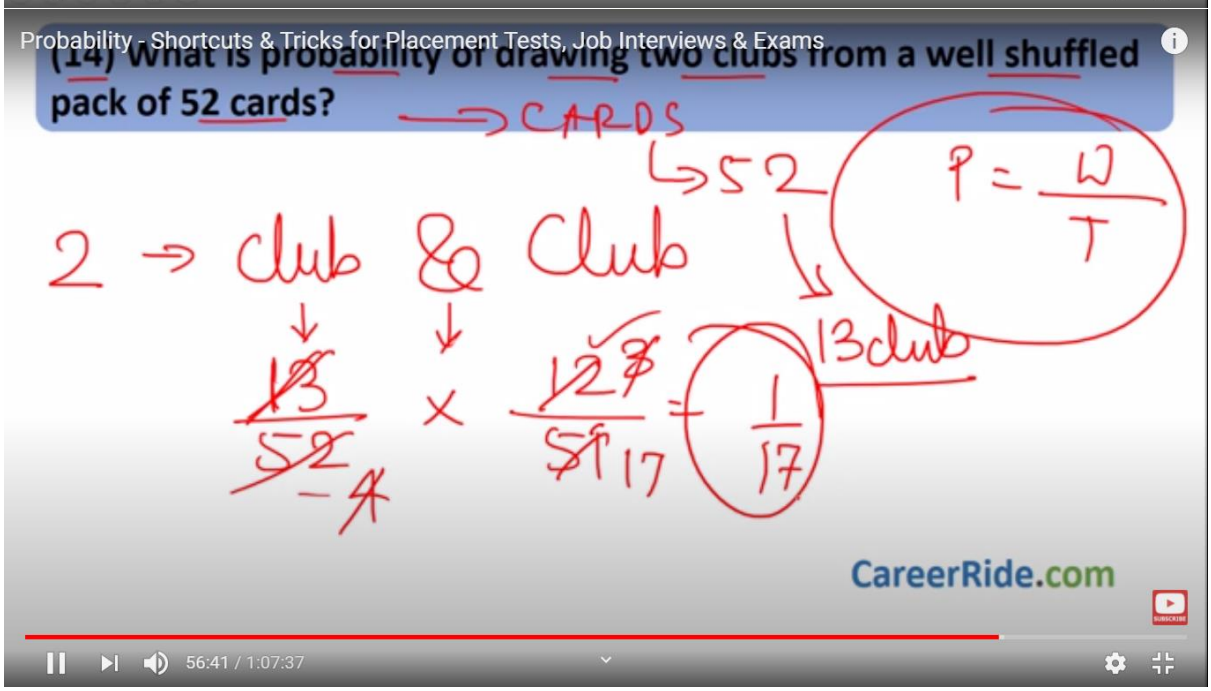
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(14) What is probability of drawing two clubs from a well shuffled pack of 52 cards?
⇒CARDS
52
P = W/T
2 → club & club
13club
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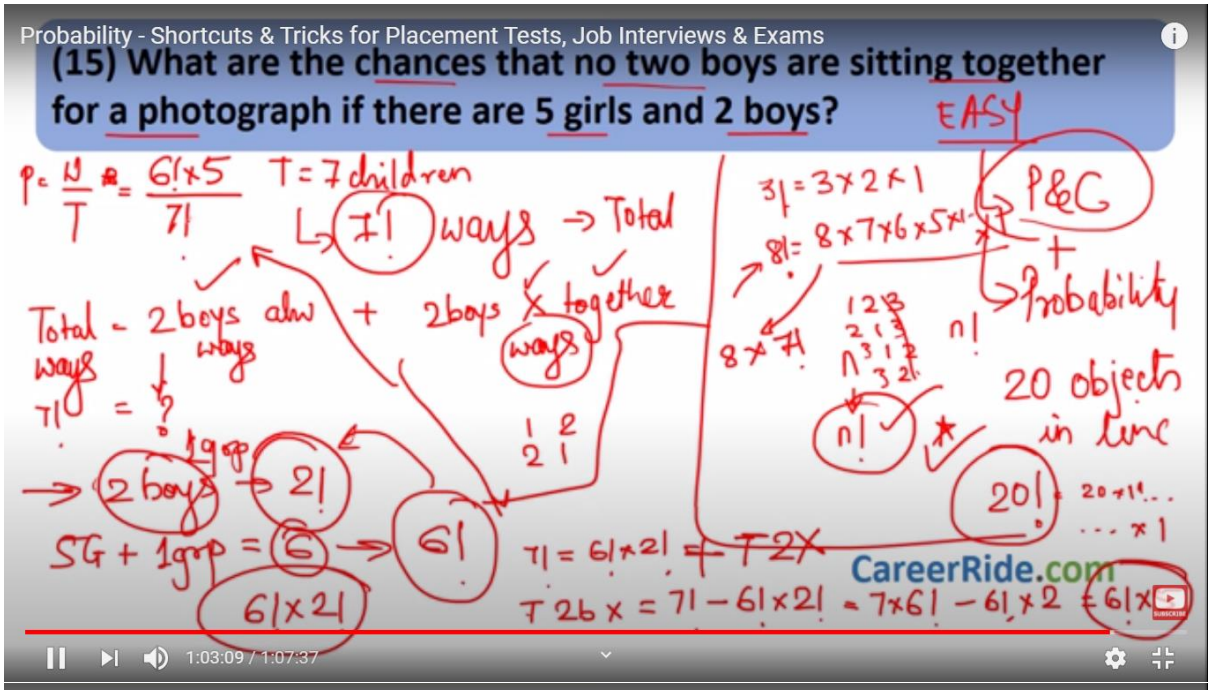
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(15) What are the chances that no two boys are sitting together for a photograph if there are 5 girls and 2 boys?
EASY
P&C
+
Probability
20 objects in line
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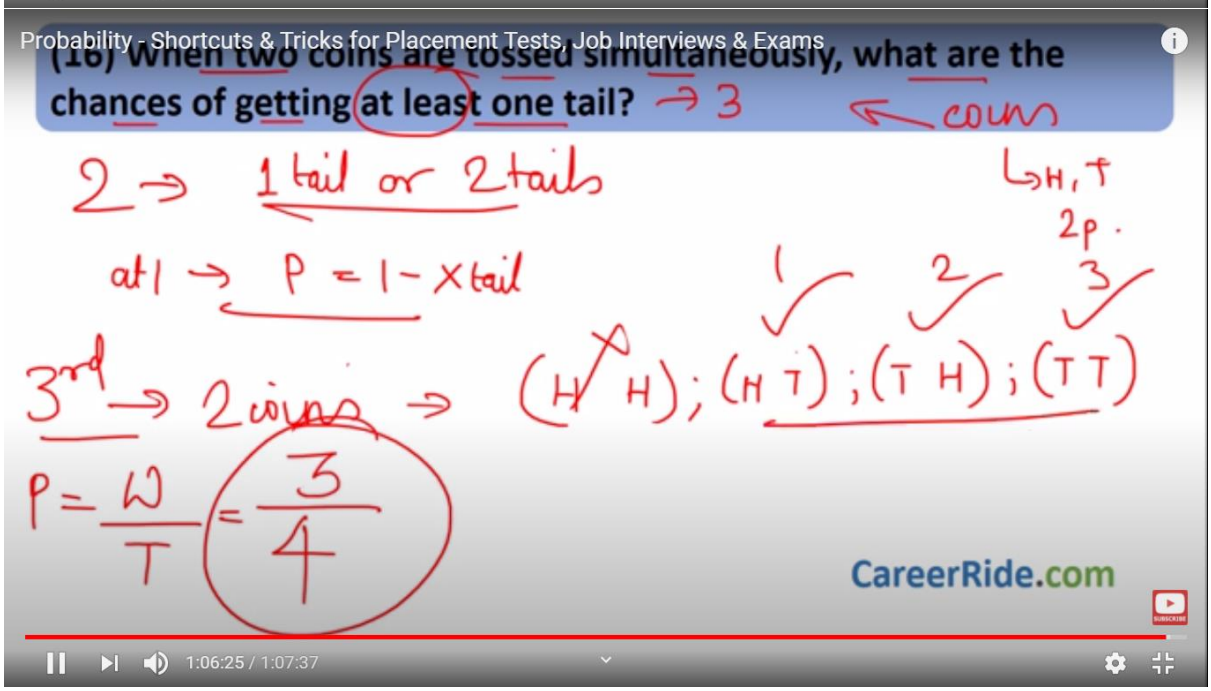
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(16) When two coins are tossed simultaneously, what are the chances of getting at least one tail?
2 → 1 tail or 2 tails
at 1 → P = 1 - X tail
3rd → 2 coins →
(H H); (H T); (T H); (T T)
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