

Normal Distribution Questions [8 marks]

The Brahma chicken produces eggs with weights in grams that are normally distributed about a mean of 55 g with a standard deviation of 7 g. The eggs are classified as small, medium, large or extra large according to their weight, as shown in the table below.

Size	Weight (g)
Small	$\text{Weight} < 53$
Medium	$53 \leq \text{Weight} < 63$
Large	$63 \leq \text{Weight} < 73$
Extra Large	$\text{Weight} \geq 73$

1a. There is a probability of 0.3 that a randomly chosen egg weighs more than w grams. [2 marks]
Find w .

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$P(\text{Weight} > w) = 0.3 \quad (M1)$
 $w = 58.7 \text{ (58.6708...)} \quad (A1)(G2)$

Note: Award *(M1)* for correct region indicated on labelled diagram.

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[N/A]

1b. An egg is chosen at random. Find the probability that the egg is [4 marks]
(i) medium;
(ii) extra large.

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(i) $P(53 \leq \text{Weight} < 63) = 0.486 \text{ (0.485902...)} \quad (M1)(A1)(G2)$

Note: Award *(M1)* for correct region indicated on labelled diagram.

(ii) $P(\text{Weight} > 73) = 0.00506 \text{ (0.00506402)} \quad (M1)(A1)(G2)$

Note: Award *(M1)* for correct region indicated on labelled diagram.

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[N/A]

1c. The probability that a Brahma chicken produces a large size egg is 0.121. Frank’s Brahma chickens produce 2000 eggs each month. [2 marks]
Calculate an estimate of the number of large size eggs produced by Frank’s chickens each month.

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Expected number of large size eggs

$$= 2000(0.121) \quad (M1)$$

$$= 242 \quad (A1)(G2)$$

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[N/A]

Note: Since this is the first year this topic will be on the test, I don't have much to draw from.