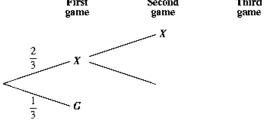
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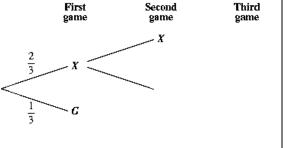
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08	7c	Xena and Gabrielle compete in a series of games. The series finishes when one
		of games. The series finishes when one
		player has won two games. In any
		player has won two games. In any game, the probability that Xena wins is
		$\frac{2}{3}$ and the probability that Gabrielle



wins is $\frac{1}{3}$

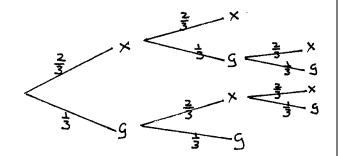
- (i) Copy and complete the tree diagram.
- (ii) What is the probability that Gabrielle wins the series?
- What is the probability that three games are played in the series? (iii)



i. see diagram

= P(XGG) + P(GXG) + P(GG)
=
$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

= $\frac{7}{27}$



iii. Prob 3 games played

= P(XGX) + P(XGG) + P(GXX) + P(GXG)
=
$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{$$

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- (i) A common error occurred when candidates did not read this part carefully and presented a tree diagram with eight outcomes. Outcomes that cannot occur should not be drawn.
- (ii) Typical responses applied the laws of probability and made some progress. The better responses stated the correct outcomes and their probabilities. Candidates are encouraged to show all working.
- (iii) There were many different methods of answering this part. Responses that identified an appropriate complementary event were awarded a mark. A significant number of responses contained simple calculation errors. Candidates are reminded to state the outcomes and their probabilities.

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