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# PROBABILITY

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# CONCEPT

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

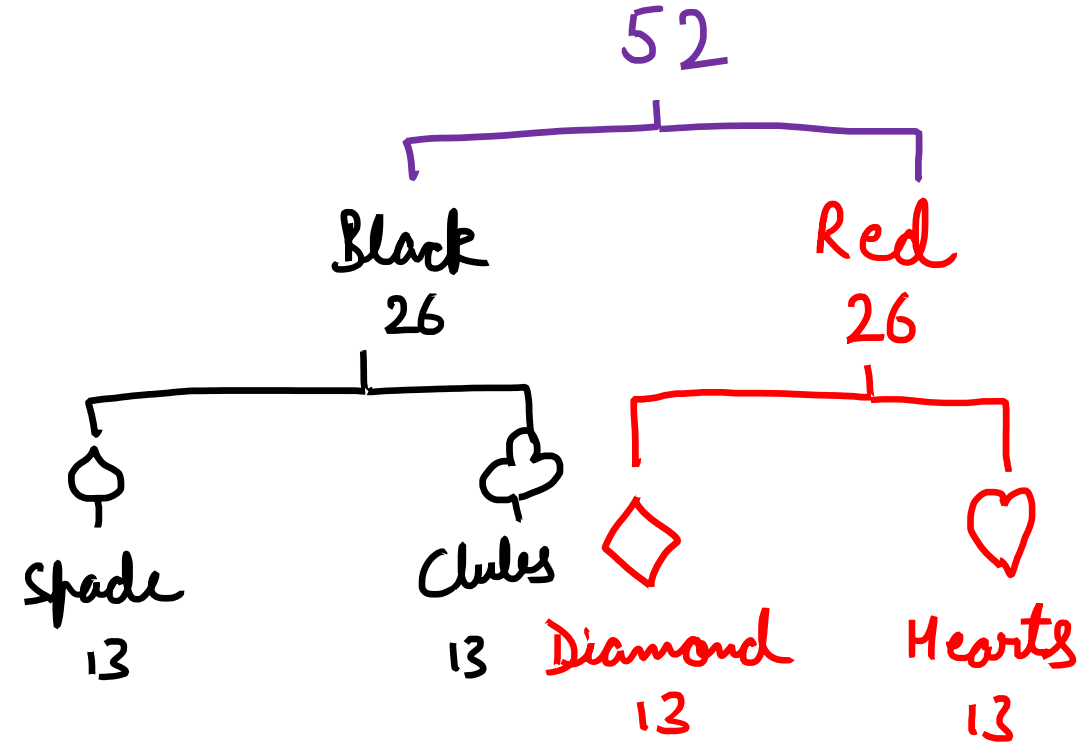
I. A card is drawn from a well-shuffled pack of cards. What is the probability of getting a spade?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$P = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$

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$$P = \frac{{}^{13}C_1}{{}^{52}C_1} = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$



2. A card is drawn from a well-shuffled pack of cards. What is the probability of getting a spade or a diamond?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$P = \frac{13 + 13}{52} = \frac{26}{52} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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$$P = \frac{{}^{13}C_1 + {}^{13}C_1}{{}^{52}C_1} = \frac{13 + 13}{52} = \frac{1}{2}$$

**3. Two cards are drawn from a well-shuffled pack of cards. What is the probability that the first is a spade and the second is a diamond?**

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$P = P(S, D) = \frac{13}{52} \times \frac{13}{51} = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{13}{51} = \frac{13}{204}$$

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$$P = \frac{{}^{13}C_1 \times {}^{13}C_1}{{}^{52}P_2} = \frac{13 \times 13}{52 \times 51} = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{13}{51} = \frac{13}{204}$$

4. Two cards are drawn from a well-shuffled pack of cards. What is the probability of getting a spade and a diamond?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$\begin{aligned} P &= P(S, D) \text{ or } P(D, S) \\ &= \frac{13}{52} \times \frac{13}{51} + \frac{13}{52} \times \frac{13}{51} = 2 \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{13}{51} = \frac{13}{102} \end{aligned}$$

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$$P = \frac{{}^{13}C_1 \times {}^{13}C_1}{{}^{52}C_2} = \frac{13 \times 13}{\frac{52 \times 51}{2}} = 2 \times \frac{13}{52} \times \frac{13}{51} = \frac{13}{102}$$

5. Two bottles are randomly selected from a stack of 10 bottles in which 5 are blue, 3 are green, and 2 are yellow. What is the probability that the 1<sup>st</sup> bottle selected is blue and the 2<sup>nd</sup> is green?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$P = P(B, G) = \frac{5}{10} \times \frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

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$$P = \frac{{}^5C_1 \times {}^3C_1}{{}^{10}P_2} = \frac{5 \times 3}{10 \times 9} = \frac{1}{6}$$

6. Three bottles are randomly selected from a stack of 12 bottles in which 3 are black, 4 are white, and 5 are red. What is the probability that all 3 bottles selected are of different colour?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$P = P(B, w, R) = \frac{3}{12} \times \frac{4}{11} \times \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{22}$$

$$\text{Ans} = \frac{1}{22} \times 3! = \frac{6}{22} = \frac{3}{11}$$

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$$P = \frac{{}^3C_1 \times {}^4C_1 \times {}^5C_1}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{\cancel{3} \times \cancel{4} \times \cancel{5}}{\cancel{12} \times \cancel{11} \times \cancel{10}} = \frac{3}{11}$$



**7. Two dice are rolled. What is the probability that the sum of the results is 5?**

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$T = \underline{6} \times \underline{6} = 36$$

F =

D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>
1	4
2	3
3	2
4	1
5	x
6	x

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$$P = \frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9}$$

8. Two dice are rolled. What is the probability that the sum of the results is less than or equal to 5?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$T = 6 \times 6 = 36$$

F =

$D_1$	$D_2$
1	1, 2, 3, 4
2	1, 2, 3
3	1, 2
4	1
5	X
6	X

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$$P = \frac{10}{36} = \frac{5}{18}$$

**9. A fair coin is tossed 6 times. What is the probability that heads turns up exactly 2 times?**

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$T = \underline{2} \quad \underline{2} \quad \underline{2} \quad \underline{2} \quad \underline{2} \quad \underline{2} = 2^6 = 64$$

F =  $\begin{array}{l} \underline{HH} \quad \underline{TTTT} \\ HTT \quad TTH \\ HTTHTT \\ TTTTHH \\ \vdots \end{array}$

$$\frac{6!}{2! \times 4!} = \frac{6 \times 5}{2} = 15$$

$$P = \frac{15}{64}$$

**10. A bag contains three differently coloured bottles, which include 3 black, 4 white, and 5 red. If 3 bottles are picked randomly from the bag, what is the probability that:**

i. All the three are black? Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

ii. None of them are white? Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

iii. All of them are not white? Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$i) \frac{{}^3C_3}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{1}{\frac{12 \times 11 \times 10}{3 \times 2}} = \frac{1}{220}$$

$$ii) \frac{{}^8C_3}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{\frac{8 \times 7 \times 6}{3 \times 2}}{\frac{12 \times 11 \times 10}{3 \times 2}} = \frac{14}{55}$$

$$iii) P(\text{All w}) = \frac{{}^4C_3}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{4}{\frac{12 \times 11 \times 10}{3 \times 2}} = \frac{1}{55}$$

$$P(\text{All NOT w}) = 1 - P(\text{All w}) = 1 - \frac{1}{55} = \frac{54}{55}$$

11. A committee of 10 people needs to be seated on 10 chairs in a straight line. What is the probability that 3 particular people always sit together?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

$$T = 10!$$

$$F = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \boxed{8, 9, 10}$$

$$F = 8! \times 3!$$

$$P = \frac{8! \times 3!}{10!} = \frac{3 \times 2}{\frac{10 \times 9}{5} \times 3} = \frac{1}{15}$$

**12. The probability of getting heads in both trials when a balanced coin is tossed twice will be?**

A.  $1/4$

B.  $1/2$

C. 1

D.  $3/4$

HH

HT

TH

TT

$1/4$

13. A card is drawn from a well-shuffled pack of cards. The probability of getting a queen of club or king of the heart is?

A. 1/52

✓ B. 1/26

C. 1/13

D. None of these

$$P = \frac{{}^1C_1 + {}^1C_1}{52} = \frac{1+1}{52} = \frac{2}{52} = \frac{1}{26}$$

14. If the probability that A will live 15 years is  $\frac{7}{8}$  and that B will live 15 years is  $\frac{9}{10}$ , then what is the probability that both will live 15 years?

A.  $\frac{1}{20}$

✓ B.  $\frac{63}{80}$

C.  $\frac{1}{5}$

D. None of these

$$P = P(A^{\checkmark}, B^{\checkmark}) = \frac{7}{8} \times \frac{9}{10} = \frac{63}{80}$$

Both Dying

$$P = P(A^{\times}, B^{\times}) = \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{80}$$

One living & One Dying

$$\begin{aligned} P &= P(A^{\checkmark}, B^{\times}) \text{ or } P(A^{\times}, B^{\checkmark}) \\ &= \frac{7}{8} \times \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{9}{10} = \frac{7}{80} + \frac{9}{80} = \frac{16}{80} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{+} \frac{80}{80} = 1$$



**15. The probability of drawing a red card from a deck of playing cards is**

A. 2/18

B. 1/13

C. 1/4

☒ D. 1/2

$$P = \frac{26}{52} = \frac{1}{\underline{\underline{2}}}$$

**16. Two dice are rolled. What is the probability that the sum of the numbers appeared on them is 8 or 11?**

A.  $1/6$

B.  $1/18$

C.  $1/9$

✓ D.  $7/36$

$$T = 6 \times 6 = 36$$

F =

$D_1$	$D_2$
1	X
2	6
3	5
4	4
5	3, 6
6	2, 5

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$$P = \frac{7}{36}$$

**17. A bag contains 8 red and 5 white balls. 2 balls are drawn at random. What is the probability that both are white?**

A. 5/16

B. 2/13

C. 3/26

☒ D. 5/39

$$P = \frac{{}^5C_2}{{}^{13}C_2} = \frac{\frac{5 \times 4}{2}}{\frac{13 \times 12}{2}} = \frac{5}{39}$$

**18. Three unbiased coins are tossed. What is the probability of getting at most 2 heads?**

A.  $1/4$

B.  $3/8$

✓ C.  $7/8$

D.  $1/2$

H H H  
H H T  
H T H  
H T T  
T H H  
T H T  
T T H  
T T T

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$\frac{7}{8}$

19. A brother and sister appear for an interview against two vacant posts in an office. The probability of the brother's selection is  $\frac{1}{5}$ th and that of the sister's selection is  $\frac{1}{3}$ rd. What is the probability that only one of them is selected?

A.  $\frac{1}{5}$

✓ B.  $\frac{2}{5}$

C.  $\frac{1}{3}$

D.  $\frac{2}{3}$

$$P = P(B^{\checkmark}, S^{\times}) \text{ or } P(B^{\times}, S^{\checkmark})$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{15} + \frac{4}{15} = \frac{6}{15} = \underline{\underline{\frac{2}{5}}}$$

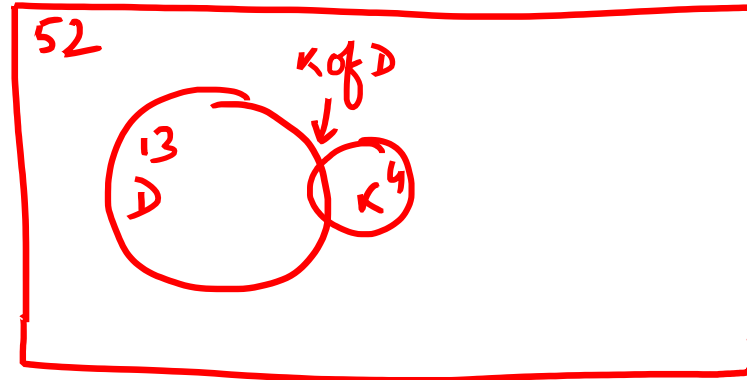
20. The probability that a card drawn from a pack of 52 cards will be a diamond or a king is?

A.  $1/13$

✓ B.  $4/13$

C.  $1/52$

D.  $2/13$



$$F = 13 + 4 - 1 = 16$$

$$P = \frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13}$$

## ANSWER KEY – PROBABILITY

QUESTION	ANSWER	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	$1/4$	11	$1/15$
2	$1/2$	12	A
3	$13/204$	13	B
4	$13/102$	14	B
5	$1/6$	15	D
6	$3/11$	16	D
7	$1/9$	17	D
8	$5/18$	18	C
9	$15/64$	19	B
10	$1/220, 14/55, 54/55$	20	B