## **Conditional Probability Practice Problems**

**Question 1** pertains to drug screening for airline pilots. Suppose only 1% of airline pilots who get tested for drugs are really using them. If a pilot is using drugs, 90% of the time he'll correctly fail the test. But 10% of the clean pilots will also fail the test. Fill in the following table for 1000 pilots who get tested (8 pts) **Fill in the rest of the table:** 

	Fail Test	Pass Test	Total
Drug Users			10
Clean			990
Total			1000

- b) If a pilot fails the test, what is the chance he or she is really clean? \_\_\_\_\_ (leave answer as a fraction)
- c) If a pilot passes the test what is the chance he or she is really using drugs?\_\_\_\_\_ (leave answer as a fraction)

**Question 2** pertains to the table below which shows how males and females in this class answered the survey question "Who do you plan to vote for?"

	Obama	McCain	Undecided/Othe	er Won't Vote	Totals
Males	84	31	33	25	173
Females	247	60	69	41	417
Totals	331	91	102	66	590

Suppose you draw randomly from the students who answered this survey: (7 pts)

- a) What is the chance that you'll get a student voting for Obama?
- b) What is the chance that you'll get a student voting for McCain?
- c) What is the chance of getting a student who is voting for McCain if you draw only from the female voters?
- d) What is the chance of getting a student who is voting for McCain if you draw only from the male voters?
- e) What is the chance of getting a male student if you draw only from the McCain voters?
- f) What is the chance of getting a female student if you draw only from the Obama voters?
- g) What is the chance that a randomly selected student is either for Obama or Undecided/Other?
- h) What is the chance that a randomly selected student is either for Obama or female?
- i) Draw 3 students *with replacement*. What is the chance that all are Obama voters?
- j) Draw 3 students with replacement. What is the chance that not all are Obama voters?
- k) Draw 3 students without replacement. What is the chance that none are Obama voters?
- 1) Draw 3 students without replacement. What is the chance that at least one is an Obama voter?

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Fill in the rest of the table:

	Fail Test	Pass Test	Total
Drug Users	.90(10) = 9	1	10
Clean	.10(990) =99	990-99=891	990
Total	99+9=108	892	1000

- a) If a pilot fails the test, what is the chance he or she is really clean? \_\_\_\_99/108\_\_\_\_\_ (leave answer as a fraction)
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- b) What is the chance that you'll get a student voting for McCain? 91/590
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- d) What is the chance of getting a student who is voting for McCain if you draw only from the male voters? 31/173
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- g) What is the chance that a randomly selected student is either for Obama or Undecided/Other? (331 + 102)/590
- h) What is the chance that a randomly selected student is either for Obama or female? (331 + 417 247)/590
- i) Draw 3 students with replacement. What is the chance that all are Obama voters? (331/590)<sup>3</sup>
- i) Draw 3 students with replacement. What is the chance that not all are Obama voters? 1 (331/590)<sup>3</sup>
- k) Draw 3 students *without replacement*. What is the chance that none are Obama voters? There are (91 + 102 + 66) = 259 non-Obama voters so answer is: 259/590 \* 258/589 \* 257/588
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