

# Test your understanding

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- ❖ *Sample space:*  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ .
- ❖ *Mass function* (random selection):  $\mathbf{P}(\{i\}) = \mathbf{P}\{i\} = 1/10$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 10$ .
- ❖ *Events:*
  - ❖  $A = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
  - ❖  $B = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ ,  $C = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$ ,  $D = \{1, 7, 8, 9\}$ .
- ❖ *Evaluate:*  $\mathbf{P}(A \mid B)$ ,  $\mathbf{P}(A \mid C)$ ,  $\mathbf{P}(A \mid D)$ , and  $\mathbf{P}(A \mid B \cap C)$ .



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*Slogan:* Conditioning provides information that can effect event probabilities in unexpected ways.