

# Probability Continued... - Notes

Probability of Compound Events - A compound event consists of 2 or more events. When this happens, you find probability by multiplying your probabilities.

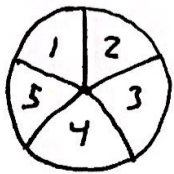
**[Ex:1]** What is the probability of flipping a coin 2 times and getting a heads and then tails.

$$P(H \text{ and } T) = \begin{array}{c} \text{Prob. of} \\ \text{Heads} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Prob. of} \\ \text{Tails} \end{array} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ or } .25 \text{ or } 25\%$$

**[Ex:2]** What is the probability of getting Tails 3 times when flipping a coin 3 times

$$P(T, T, \text{ and } T) = \begin{array}{c} \text{Prob. of} \\ \text{Tails} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Prob. of} \\ \text{Tails} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Prob. of} \\ \text{Tails} \end{array} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)$$

Flip and Spin Probability - The same happens when doing 2 different things like flipping a coin and spinning a spinner.



**[Ex:1]** What is the probability of tossing a tails and spinning a 3.

$$P(T \text{ and } 3) = \begin{array}{c} \text{Prob. of} \\ \text{Tails} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Spinning} \\ 3 \end{array} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{5} = \left[\frac{1}{10}\right] \text{ or } .1 \text{ or } 10\%$$

**[Ex:2]** What is the probability of landing heads and spinning an odd number.

$$P(H \text{ and odd}) = \begin{array}{c} \text{Prob. of} \\ \text{Heads} \end{array} \times \text{odd} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{5} = \left[\frac{3}{10}\right] \text{ or } .3 \text{ or } 30\%$$

# Probability with Dependent Events - Notes

- This is similar to the last page of notes but the second or more events is affected by the event before it.

**Ex: 1** In a container of marbles there are 5 red, 3 blue, and 2 green marbles. There are a total of 10 marbles. If I take a marble out and don't replace it, there are only 9. What is the probability of drawing a red and then blue, if I don't replace the one marble I took out?

$$P(\text{red and blue - without replacement}) = \frac{5}{10} \times \frac{3}{9} = \frac{15}{90} = \frac{1}{6} = .1\bar{6}$$

↑  
take one away

**Ex: 2** Same situation but probability of drawing a blue marble 2 times

$$P(\text{blue and blue - without replacing}) = \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{2}{9} = \frac{6}{90} = \frac{1}{15} = .0\bar{6}$$

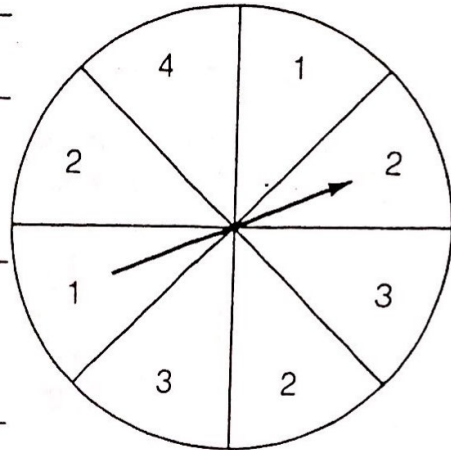
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**Ex: 3** If I did replace the marble (put it back) the fraction would be the same both times because the total (10) and the total blue (3) would still be 3 out of 10.

$$P(\text{blue and blue - with replacement}) = \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{3}{10} = \frac{9}{100} = .09 = 9\%$$

Use the spinner at the right to answer the following.

- 1) On what number is the spinner least likely to stop? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) On what number is the spinner most likely to stop? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) What is the probability of stopping on an odd number? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) What is the probability of stopping on an even number? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) What is the probability of stopping on 3? \_\_\_\_\_

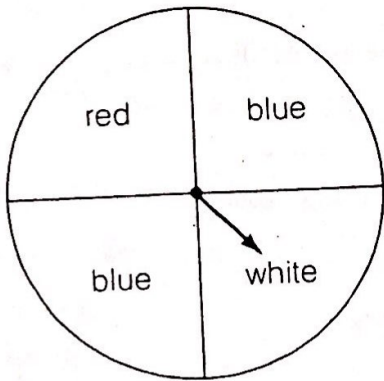


6) A jar contains 3 blue marbles, 4 green marbles, and 8 yellow marbles. What is the probability of drawing a blue or green marble?

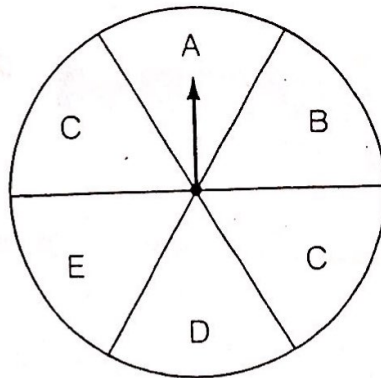
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7) A marble is drawn from the jar and then replaced. A second marble is drawn. What is the probability that a yellow marble was drawn both times?

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- 8)  $P(\text{red and C})$  \_\_\_\_\_
- 10)  $P(\text{white and E})$  \_\_\_\_\_
- 12)  $P(\text{white and A})$  \_\_\_\_\_
- 14)  $P(\text{blue and A})$  \_\_\_\_\_



- 9)  $P(\text{blue and E})$  \_\_\_\_\_
- 11)  $P(\text{blue and C})$  \_\_\_\_\_
- 13)  $P(\text{red and D})$  \_\_\_\_\_
- 15)  $P(\text{blue and B})$  \_\_\_\_\_



Solve.

16) What is the probability of tossing heads on a nickel and rolling 6 on a cube numbered from 1 to 6?

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18) What is the probability of tossing heads on a nickel, tails on a dime, and rolling a 3 on the cube?

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17) What is the probability of tossing tails on a nickel and a number greater than 2 on the cube?

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19) What is the probability of tossing heads on both coins and rolling a 2 or a 4 on the cube?

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Use the following information to write the probability for each.

A bag of marbles contains 5 red marbles, 3 blue marbles, 6 green marbles, and 2 white marbles. The first marble and any other marbles drawn are not replaced.

20) P(red then red) \_\_\_\_\_

22) P(blue then blue) \_\_\_\_\_

24) P(green then green) \_\_\_\_\_

26) P(W, G) \_\_\_\_\_

28) P(R, W, B) \_\_\_\_\_

30) P(B, R, G) \_\_\_\_\_

21) P(red then white) \_\_\_\_\_

23) P(blue then white) \_\_\_\_\_

25) P(red then green) \_\_\_\_\_

27) P(R, B) \_\_\_\_\_

29) P(G, G, G) \_\_\_\_\_

31) P(R, G, G) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

James polled the 30 kids in his homeroom as a sample of the 400 students in the high school to find out their favorite colors. 11 people chose red, 8 blue, 4 green, 2 yellow, and 5 other. How many total kids out of the 400 would you expect to choose the following:

①  $P(\text{Red})$

②  $P(\text{yellow})$

③  $P(\text{blue or green})$

④  $P(\text{Not blue})$

⑤  $P(\text{Red or green})$

⑥  $P(\text{yellow or other})$

The local paper did a poll sampling 200 voters of the 2,300 people registered to vote. 110 said they were voting for Brown, 35 for Harris, 18 for Smith, 25 for Williams, and 12 were undecided. How many total people would expect to vote for the following:

⑦  $P(\text{Williams})$

⑧  $P(\text{Smith})$

⑨  $P(\text{Harris or Williams})$

⑩  $P(\text{Brown})$

⑪  $P(\text{undecided})$

⑫  $P(\text{not Harris})$