

Exercise 8 - Combinations (Probability)

1. There are only 3 girls in a group of 8 pupils. A group of 5 pupils is to be selected. Find the probability that all three girls in the group are selected.
2. A bag contains four black discs and one white disc. If two discs are removed at random, what is the probability that the white disc is not removed ?
3. An exam consists of selecting 4 questions from a choice of 8 questions. The questions are numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. Assuming the questions are selected at random, find the probability that a pupil's selection will include two even numbered questions.
4. A box contains 10 cubes of which 4 are green and 6 are yellow. If 4 cubes are selected at random, find the probability that 2 green and 2 yellow cubes are selected.
5. Four letters are chosen at random from the word COMPLEX. Find the probability that both vowels are in the group chosen.
6. A random sample of five children is chosen from a class of 8 girls and 12 boys. What is the probability that the sample contains
 - (a) all boys
 - (b) at least one girl ?
7. A bag contains 8 red sweets, 5 yellow sweets and 3 green sweets. Two sweets are selected. What is the probability that two sweets chosen at random are both red ?
8. Four cards are chosen at random from an ordinary pack of 52 playing cards. What is the probability that the four cards
 - (a) are all black
 - (b) are all kings
 - (c) contain at least one king ?
9. There are 5 green, 4 yellow and 3 blue discs in a bag from which 4 discs are chosen at random. Find the probability that the 4 discs selected will contain
 - (a) exactly 3 blue discs
 - (b) exactly 3 yellow discs
 - (c) at least one green disc.
10. From a well shuffled pack of 52 cards a hand of 7 cards is dealt. Find the probability that the hand will contain
 - (a) 4 aces
 - (b) exactly 3 aces
 - (c) at least 3 aces.

11. A hand of 6 cards is dealt from a shuffled pack of 52 cards. Find the probability that the hand will contain
- (a) all black cards
 - (b) exactly 5 black cards
 - (c) at least 5 black cards.
12. Three cards are dealt from a well shuffled pack of eight cards . The cards are numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. Find the probability that
- (a) the three cards are all even
 - (b) the product of the numbers drawn is odd.

Exercise 7 - Combinations

- 1 (a) 35 (b) 15 (c) 8 (d) 1
- 2 (a) $\binom{9}{6} = \binom{9}{3} = 84$ (b) $\binom{7}{3} = \binom{7}{4} = 35$
- 3 56
- 4 56
- 5 (a) 120 (b) 680 (c) 593775 (d) 2598960
- 6 28, 10
- 7 1716, 924
- 8 (a) 142506 (b) 23751
- 9 (a) 165 (b) 45 (assuming best debater and oldest pupil are different)
- 10 (a) 70 (b) 168
- 11 (a) 126 (b) 252 (c) 72
- 12 (a) 44352 (b) 125474

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- 1 $\frac{5}{28}$
- 2 $\frac{3}{5}$
- 3 $\frac{18}{35}$
- 4 $\frac{3}{7}$
- 5 $\frac{2}{5}$
- 6 (a) $\frac{33}{646}$ (b) $\frac{613}{646}$
- 7 $\frac{7}{30}$
- 8 (a) $\frac{46}{833}$ (b) $\frac{1}{270725}$ (c) $\frac{15229}{54145}$
- 9 (a) $\frac{1}{55}$ (b) $\frac{32}{495}$ (c) $\frac{92}{99}$
- 10 (a) $\frac{1}{7735}$ (b) $\frac{9}{1547}$ (c) $\frac{46}{7735}$
- 11 (a) $\frac{253}{22372}$ (b) $\frac{3289}{39151}$ (c) $\frac{14927}{156604}$
- 12 (a) $\frac{1}{14}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$