

**Practice for Lesson 14.5**

For Exercises 1-4, determine whether each situation is a binomial experiment. If not, explain why.

1. spinning a spinner until it lands on red
2. spinning four spinners 100 times and determining how many times 3 of them land on red
3. removing three 3 cards from a standard deck of 52 cards without replacement and recording whether they are red diamonds or not
4. asking 20 people their favorite color
5. A couple plans to have three children. Assuming that boys and girls have an equal chance of being born, what is the probability that the couple will have 3 boys? 2 boys? 1 boy? 0 boys?
6. Three coins are tossed. Find  $P(2 \text{ or } 3 \text{ tails})$ .

1

1.) no! # of trials is not fixed.

2.) Yes!

3.) No! Trials are not independent (b/c of no repl.)

4.) no! More than 2 outcomes.

5.)  $(B+G)^3 = 1B^3 + 3B^2G + 3BG^2 + 1G^3$   
 $P(3 \text{ boys}) = \binom{3}{2} = \frac{1}{8}$  ← use  $1B^3$   
 $P(2 \text{ boys}) = 3B^2G = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{8}$   
 $P(1 \text{ boy}) = 3BG^2 = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{8}$   
 $P(0 \text{ boys}) = 1G^3 = 1 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}$

6.)  $P(2 \text{ or } 3 \text{ tails})$

$(H+T)^3 = H^3 + 3H^2T + 3HT^2 + T^3$

$3HT^2 + T^3$   
 $3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{2}$

For Exercises 7-10, use the following binomial expansions when needed.

$(a+b)^4 = a^4 + 4a^3b + 6a^2b^2 + 4ab^3 + b^4$   
 $(a+b)^5 = a^5 + 5a^4b + 10a^3b^2 + 10a^2b^3 + 5ab^4 + b^5$   
 $(a+b)^6 = a^6 + 6a^5b + 15a^4b^2 + 20a^3b^3 + 15a^2b^4 + 6ab^5 + b^6$

7. The star player on the basketball team has a  $\frac{7}{8}$  probability of making a basket when he shoots a free throw. He shoots 5 free throws in the first ten minutes of the game. What is the probability that he makes exactly 4 of the free throws?
8. The spinner shown to the left is spun 6 times.
  - a. What is the probability that the spinner lands on yellow exactly 2 times?
  - b. What is the probability that the spinner lands on yellow at least 5 times?
9. What is the probability of guessing exactly 4 out of 5 questions correctly on a multiple-choice test if there are 3 possible choices for each question?
10. A coin is spun (rather than flipped). If the probability of it landing tails is 52%, what is the probability of spinning a coin 5 times and having it land on tails exactly 2 times?



7.) Use  $(\text{make} + \text{miss})^5$

$5(\text{make})(\text{miss})^4$  or  $5a^4b$

$5\left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^4\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) \approx 0.371$

Let  $a = \text{get yellow}$   $b = \text{not yellow}$

8.) a.)  $15(\text{yellow})^2(\text{not yellow})^4$

$15\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^4 \approx 0.297$

b.)  $P(\text{yellow at least 5 times}) =$

$P(\text{yellow } 5) + P(\text{yellow } 6)$   
 $6\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^6 \approx 0.0046$

9.)  $(\text{Right} + \text{Wrong})^5$

$P(\text{right}) = \frac{1}{3}$   
 $P(\text{wrong}) = \frac{2}{3}$

Use  $(a+b)^5$

$5a^4b$

$P(4 \text{ out of } 5 \text{ correctly}) = 5(\text{right})^4(\text{wrong})^1$   
 $= 5\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1$   
 $\approx 0.041$

- 0.041

$$\approx \boxed{0.041}$$

10)  $P(\text{tails}) = 52\%$   
 $P(\text{heads}) = 48\%$   
\* Use  $(a+b)^5$

$$P(\text{land on tails exactly 2 times out of 5}) = 10 (\text{tails})^2 (\text{head})^3$$

$$= 10 (.52)^2 (.48)^3$$

$$= \boxed{0.30}$$