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## Exercise 15.1

## Question 1:

In a cricket math, a batswoman hits a boundary 6 times out of 30 balls she plays. Find the probability that she did not hit a boundary.

Answer:
Number of times the batswoman hits a boundary $=6$
Total number of balls played $=30$
$\therefore$ Number of times that the batswoman does not hit a boundary $=30-6=24$
$P($ she does not hit a boundary $)=\frac{\text { Number of times when she does not hit boundary }}{\text { Total number of balls played }}$

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=\frac{24}{30}=\frac{4}{5}
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## Question 2:

1500 families with 2 children were selected randomly, and the following data were recorded:

| Number of girls in a family | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of families | 475 | 814 | 211 |

Compute the probability of a family, chosen at random, having
(i) 2 girls (ii) 1 girl (iii) No girl

Also check whether the sum of these probabilities is 1 .
Answer:
Total number of families $=475+814+211$
$=1500$
(i) Number of families having 2 girls $=475$
$P_{1}$ (a randomly chosen family has 2 girls $)=\frac{\text { Number of families having } 2 \text { girls }}{\text { Total number of families }}$

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=\frac{475}{1500}=\frac{19}{60}
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(ii) Number of families having 1 girl $=814$

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$P_{2}($ a randomly chosen family has 1 girl $)=\frac{\text { Number of families having } 1 \text { girl }}{\text { Total number of families }}$

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=\frac{814}{1500}=\frac{407}{750}
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(iii) Number of families having no girl $=211$
$P_{3}($ a randomly chosen family has no girl $)=\frac{\text { Number of families having no girl }}{\text { Total number of families }}$

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=\frac{211}{1500}
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Sum of all these probabilities $=\frac{19}{60}+\frac{407}{750}+\frac{211}{1500}$

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\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{475+814+211}{1500} \\
& =\frac{1500}{1500}=1
\end{aligned}
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Therefore, the sum of all these probabilities is 1 .

## Question 3:

In a particular section of Class IX, 40 students were asked about the months of their birth and the following graph was prepared for the data so obtained:


Find the probability that a student of the class was born in August.

Answer:
Number of students born in the month of August $=6$
Total number of students $=40$
$P($ Students born in the month of August $)=\frac{\text { Number of students born in August }}{\text { Total number of students }}$
$=\frac{6}{40}=\frac{3}{20}$

## Question 4:

Three coins are tossed simultaneously 200 times with the following frequencies of different outcomes:

| Outcome | 3 heads | 2 heads | 1 head | No head |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frequency | 23 | 72 | 77 | 28 |

If the three coins are simultaneously tossed again, compute the probability of 2 heads coming up.
Answer:
Number of times 2 heads come up $=72$
Total number of times the coins were tossed $=200$
$P(2$ heads will come up $)=\frac{\text { Number of times } 2 \text { heads come up }}{\text { Total number of times the coins were tossed }}$

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=\frac{72}{200}=\frac{9}{25}
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## Question 5:

An organization selected 2400 families at random and surveyed them to determine a relationship between income level and the number of vehicles in a family. The information gathered is listed in the table below:

| Monthly income <br> (in Rs) | Vehicles per family |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | Above 2 |

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| Less than 7000 | 10 | 160 | 25 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $7000-10000$ | 0 | 305 | 27 | 2 |
| $10000-13000$ | 1 | 535 | 29 | 1 |
| $13000-16000$ | 2 | 469 | 59 | 25 |
| 16000 or more | 1 | 579 | 82 | 88 |

Suppose a family is chosen, find the probability that the family chosen is
(i) earning Rs 10000 - 13000 per month and owning exactly 2 vehicles.
(ii) earning Rs 16000 or more per month and owning exactly 1 vehicle.
(iii) earning less than Rs 7000 per month and does not own any vehicle.
(iv) earning Rs 13000 - 16000 per month and owning more than 2 vehicles.
(v) owning not more than 1 vehicle.

Answer:
Number of total families surveyed $=10+160+25+0+0+305+27+2+1+$ $535+29+1+2+469+59+25+1+579+82+88=2400$
(i) Number of families earning Rs 10000-13000 per month and owning exactly 2 vehicles $=29$

Hence, required probability, $P=\frac{29}{2400}$
(ii) Number of families earning Rs 16000 or more per month and owning exactly 1 vehicle $=579$

Hence, required probability, $P=\frac{579}{2400}$
(iii) Number of families earning less than Rs 7000 per month and does not own any vehicle $=10$

Hence, required probability, $P=\frac{10}{2400}=\frac{1}{240}$

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(iv) Number of families earning Rs 13000-16000 per month and owning more than 2 vehicles $=25$

Hence, required probability, $P=\frac{25}{2400}=\frac{1}{96}$
(v) Number of families owning not more than 1 vehicle $=10+160+0+305+1+$ $535+2+469+1+579=2062$

Hence, required probability, $P=\frac{2062}{2400}=\frac{1031}{1200}$

## Question 6:

A teacher wanted to analyse the performance of two sections of students in a mathematics test of 100 marks. Looking at their performances, she found that a few students got under 20 marks and a few got 70 marks or above. So she decided to group them into intervals of varying sizes as follows: $0-20,20-30 \ldots 60-70,70$ - 100. Then she formed the following table:

| Marks | Number of student |
| :--- | :--- |
| $0-20$ | 7 |
| $20-30$ | 10 |
| $30-40$ | 10 |
| $40-50$ | 20 |
| $50-60$ | 20 |
| $60-70$ | 15 |
| $70-$ above | 8 |
| Total | 90 |

(i) Find the probability that a student obtained less than $20 \%$ in the mathematics test.
(ii) Find the probability that a student obtained marks 60 or above.

Answer:
Totalnumber of students $=90$

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(i) Number of students getting less than $20 \%$ marks in the test $=7$

Hence, required probability, $P=\frac{7}{90}$
(ii) Number of students obtaining marks 60 or above $=15+8=23$

Hence, required probability, $\mathrm{P}=\frac{23}{90}$
Question 7:
To know the opinion of the students about the subject statistics, a survey of 200 students was conducted. The data is recorded in the following table.

| Opinion | Number of students |
| :--- | :--- |
| like <br> dislike | 135 <br> 65 |

Find the probability that a student chosen at random
(i) likes statistics, (ii) does not like it

Answer:
Total number of students $=135+65=200$
(i) Number of students liking statistics $=135$
$P($ students liking statistics $)=\frac{135}{200}=\frac{27}{40}$
(ii) Number of students who do not like statistics $=65$
$P($ students not liking statistics $)=\frac{65}{200}=\frac{13}{40}$

## Question 8:

The distance (in km) of 40 engineers from their residence to their place of work were found as follows.

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$\begin{array}{llllllllll}7 & 9 & 7 & 8 & 3 & 5 & 12 & 15 & 18 & 3\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}12 & 14 & 2 & 9 & 6 & 15 & 15 & 7 & 6 & 12\end{array}$
What is the empirical probability that an engineer lives:
(i) less than 7 km from her place of work?
(ii) more than or equal to 7 km from her place of work?
(iii) within $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~km}$ from her place of work?

Answer:
(i) Total number of engineers $=40$

Number of engineers living less than 7 km from their place of work $=9$
Hence, required probability that an engineer lives less than 7 km from her place of
work, $P=\frac{9}{40}$
(ii) Number of engineers living more than or equal to 7 km from their place of work = $40-9=31$

Hence, required probability that an engineer lives more than or equal to 7 km from
her place of work, $\mathrm{P}=\frac{31}{40}$
(iii) Number of engineers living within $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~km}$ from her place of work $=0$

Hence, required probability that an engineer lives within $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~km}$ from her place of work, $\mathrm{P}=0$

## Question 11:

Eleven bags of wheat flour, each marked 5 kg , actually contained the following weights of flour (in kg):
4.975 .055 .085 .035 .005 .065 .084 .985 .045 .075 .00

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Find the probability that any of these bags chosen at random contains more than 5 kg of flour.

Answer:
Number of total bags = 11
Number of bags containing more than 5 kg of flour $=7$
Hence, required probability, $P=\frac{7}{11}$
Question 12:

| Concentration of $\mathbf{S O}_{2}$ (in ppm) | Number of days (frequency ) |
| :--- | :--- |
| $0.00-0.04$ | 4 |
| $0.04-0.08$ | 9 |
| $0.08-0.12$ | 9 |
| $0.12-0.16$ | 2 |
| $0.16-0.20$ | 2 |
| $0.20-0.24$ | 30 |
| Total |  |

The above frequency distribution table represents the concentration of sulphur dioxide in the air in parts per million of a certain city for 30 days. Using this table, find the probability of the concentration of sulphur dioxide in the interval $0.12-0.16$ on any of these days.

Answer:
Number days for which the concentration of sulphur dioxide was in the interval of $0.12-0.16=2$

Total number of days $=30$

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Hence, required probability, $\mathrm{P}=\frac{2}{30}=\frac{1}{15}$

## Question 13:

| Blood group | Number of students |
| :--- | :--- |
| $A$ | 9 |
| $B$ | 6 |
| $A B$ | 3 |
| O | 12 |
| Total | 30 |

The above frequency distribution table represents the blood groups of 30 students of a class. Use this table to determine the probability that a student of this class, selected at random, has blood group $A B$.
Answer:
Number of students having blood group AB $=3$
Total number of students $=30$
Hence, required probability, $\mathrm{P}=\frac{3}{30}=\frac{1}{10}$

