

Guiding question: How do you determine probability of an event?

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Definition. The **Theoretical Probability** of an event is the ratio of the number of ways that the event can occur to the total number of equally likely outcomes in the sample space.

$$P(\text{event}) = \frac{\text{number of times the event occurs}}{\text{number of trials}}$$

Examples.

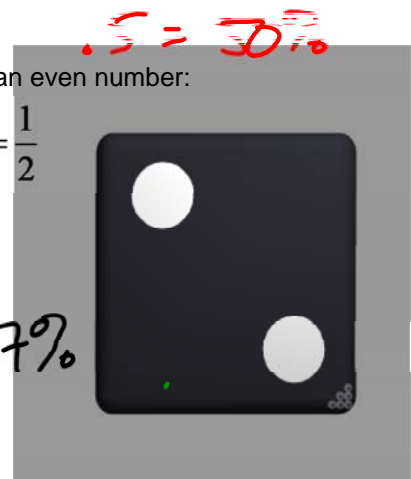
1) Sandy rolls a dice. The theoretical probability that Sandy rolls an even number:

$$P(\text{even}) = \frac{\text{number of ways to roll an even number}}{\text{number of possible outcomes}} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

a.) $P(\text{odd}) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2} = .5 = 50\%$

b.) $P(\text{greater than 2}) = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3} = .\bar{6} \approx 67\%$

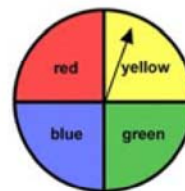
c.) $P(5 \text{ or } 6) = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3} = .\bar{3} \approx 33\%$



2) If Jorge spins the spinner shown, what is the probability that the arrow lands in:

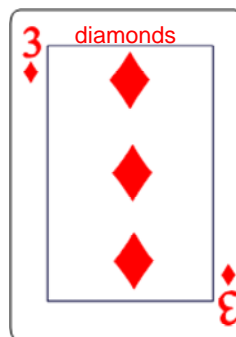
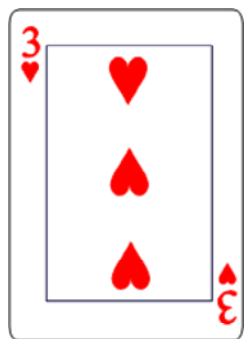
a.) $P(\text{yellow}) = \frac{1}{4} = .25 = 25\%$

b.) $P(\text{blue or green}) = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} = .5 = 50\%$

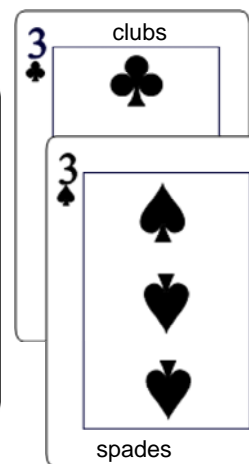


3) If Heidi flips a coin, what is the probability that it lands on tails?

$P(\text{tails}) = \frac{1}{2} = .5 = 50\%$



hearts



spades

4) If a standard deck of cards is used, what are the probabilities of the following outcomes?
 (hearts & diamonds are red – clubs & spades are black)

a. You draw an even number.

$$\frac{20}{52} = \frac{5}{13} = .38 = 38\%$$

b. You draw a face card.

$$\frac{12}{52} = \frac{3}{13} = .23 = 23\%$$





















































c. You draw a black 4.

$$\frac{2}{52} = \frac{1}{26} = .04 = 4\%$$

d. You draw a red multiple of 3.

$$\frac{6}{52} = \frac{3}{26} = .12 = 12\%$$

Example set of 52 poker playing cards

| Suit | Ace | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Jack | Queen | King |
|----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|
| Clubs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diamonds |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spades |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Assignment-11.2 Worksheet