

## 0.1 Mathematics of Chance

### Worksheet 2

1) A bag contains 6 black and 4 white balls. If a ball is taken from it

- What is the probability of getting black ?
- What is the probability of getting white?

#### Answers

- $\frac{6}{10}$
- $\frac{4}{10}$

2) There are 3 red balls and 7 green balls in a bag. There are 8 red balls and 7 green balls in another bag.

- What is the probability of getting a red ball from the first bag?
- What is the probability of getting red ball from the second bag?
- If all balls are put in a single bag what is the probability of getting red from it ?
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#### Answers

- $\frac{3}{10}$
- $\frac{8}{10}$
- $\frac{11}{25}$

3) One is asked to say a two digit number. What is the probability of it being a perfect square?

#### Answers

- Two digit perfect squares are 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81.  
There are 90 two digit numbers in total
- Probability is  $\frac{6}{90} = \frac{1}{15}$

4) Numbers from 1 to 50 are written in a slip of paper put in a box. A slip is to be drawn from it, but before doing so one must make a guess about the number, either prime or a multiple of 5. Which is better guess.

#### Answers

- Note that there are 15 primes upto 50. These are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47
- Probability of getting prime is  $\frac{15}{50}$ .
- There are 10 multiples of 5 upto 50. Probability is  $\frac{10}{50}$
- Since  $\frac{15}{50}$  is greater than  $\frac{10}{50}$ , guessing prime is better.

5) A bag contains 3 red beads and 7 green beads. Another one red and one green more .The probability of getting a red from which bag is more?

**Answers**

a) From first bag probability of getting red is  $\frac{3}{10}$

b) From the second bag the probability of getting red is  $\frac{4}{12}$

c)  $\frac{3}{10} = \frac{18}{60}$ ,  $\frac{4}{12} = \frac{20}{60}$ . Probability is more in second bag.

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