

Conditional Probability Worksheet 9 - Answers

Use the permutation or combination formula to determine the number of possible outcomes.

1. Order matters: there are 5 possible events and 2 slots.
 ${}_5P_2 = 20$ outcomes.
2. Order matters: there are 4 possible events and 4 slots.
 ${}_4P_4 = 24$ outcomes.
3. Order doesn't matter: there are 4 possible events and 4 slots.
 ${}_4C_4 = 1$ outcome.
4. Order doesn't matter: there are 7 possible events and 2 slots.
 ${}_7C_2 = 21$ outcome.
5. Order doesn't matter: there are 6 possible events and 5 slots.
 ${}_6C_5 = 6$ outcome.
0.21.

Use the following information to answer questions 6-10. You have 7 M&Ms, one

of each of the following colors: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, brown, and purple.

6. You randomly select 3 M&Ms. If you want a red M&M, how many possible outcomes are there?
35 outcomes.
7. You randomly select 3 M&Ms. If you want to select a red M&M second, how many possible outcomes are there?
210 outcomes.
8. You randomly select 1 M&M. What is the probability you will select the green M&M?
 $\frac{1}{7}$.
9. You randomly select 2 M&Ms. What is the probability you will select a red M&M and a green M&M?
 $\frac{1}{21}$.
10. You randomly select 3 M&Ms. What is the probability you will select a red, green and blue M&M?
 $\frac{1}{70}$.