

## 1. Probability

1. During inter-school competitions, rugby and football teams from Ranje sec school took part. The probability that the rugby would win their first match was  $\frac{1}{8}$  while that the handball team could lose was  $\frac{4}{7}$ . Find the probability that;
  - (a) Both teams won their first matches. (1 mk)
  - (b) At least one team won the first match (3 mks)
2. Two identical baskets A and B contain white and red balls. Basket A contains 7 white balls and 3 red balls while basket B contains 5 white balls and 5 red balls. A bag is chosen at random and 2 balls picked from it one after another without replacement.
  - (a) Illustrate this information using a tree diagram. (2mks)
  - (b) Find the probability that:-
    - (i) The 2 balls picked are of the same colour. (2mks)
    - (ii) The two balls picked are of different colours. (2mks)
    - (iii) Only one of the balls picked is red. (2mks)
    - (iv) At least one white ball is picked. (2mks)
3. The probability that a girl goes to school by bus is  $\frac{1}{3}$  and by matatu is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . If she uses a bus, the probability that she is late to school is  $\frac{1}{5}$  and if she uses a matatu the probability that she is late to school is  $\frac{3}{20}$ . If she uses other means of transport, the probability of being late is  $\frac{1}{20}$ .
  - a) Draw a probability tree diagram to represent this information. (3mks)
  - b) What is the probability that she will be late to school. (3mks)
  - c) What is the probability that she will be late for school if she does not use a matatu. (2mks)
  - d) What is the probability that she will not be late to school. (2mks)
4. If a certain unfair coin is tossed, the chance of obtaining a tail is 25%. Find:-
  - a) The probability of getting two heads when the coin is tossed twice. (2 mks)
  - b) The probability of obtaining at least one tail when the coin is tossed twice. (2 mks)
5. A bag contains 3 black balls and 6 white ones. If two balls are drawn from the bag one at a time, find;
  - (a) The probability of drawing a black ball and a white ball.
    - (i) Without replacement.
    - (ii) With replacement.
  - (b) Drawing two white balls.
    - (i) Without replacement.
    - (ii) With replacement.
6. A cupboard has 7 white cups and 5 brown cups all identical in size and shape. There is a blackout in the town and Mrs. Bett has to select three cups one after another without replacing the previous ones.
  - (a) Draw a tree diagram for the information
  - (b) Calculate the probability that she chooses;
    - (i) Two white cups and one brown cup
    - (ii) Two brown cups and one white cup
    - (iii) At least one white cup
    - (iv) three cups of the same colour
7. A two digit number is formed from the first four prime numbers.
  - a) Draw the table to show the possible outcomes, if each number can be used only once.

b) Calculate the probability that a number chosen from the digit numbers is an even number

8. The probability that a boy goes to school by bus is  $\frac{1}{3}$  and by matatu is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . If he uses a bus, the probability that he is late to school is  $\frac{1}{5}$  and if he uses a matatu, the probability of being late is  $\frac{3}{10}$ . If he uses other means of transport, the probability of being late is  $\frac{1}{20}$

- (a) Draw a probability tree diagram to represent this information
- (b) What is the probability that he will be late for school
- (c) What is the probability that he be late for school if he does not use a matatu
- (d) What is the probability that he is not late for school

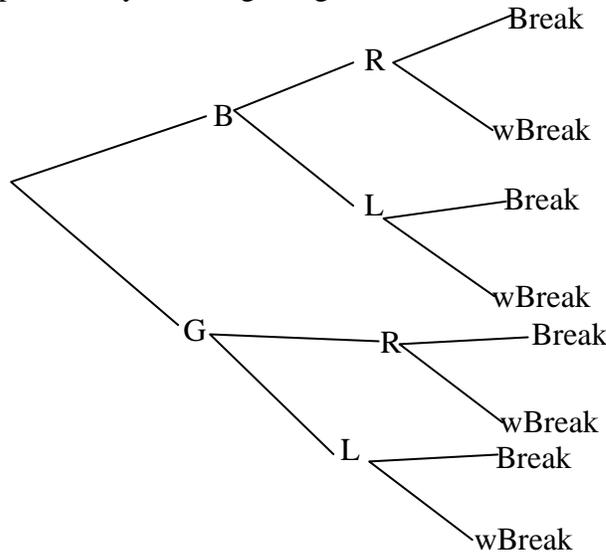
9. One day during inspection in a certain secondary school, it was discovered that there was a probability of  $\frac{2}{5}$  that a students had shaggy hair, if a student had shaggy hair, there was a probability of  $\frac{1}{2}$  that he had torn uniform. But if he had properly combed hair, there was a probability of  $\frac{1}{4}$  that he had a torn uniform. If a student had torn uniform there was a probability of  $\frac{4}{5}$  that he had unpolished shoes. Otherwise there was a probability of  $\frac{3}{5}$  that he had polished shoes.

- a) Represent this information in a probability tree diagram
- b) Find the probability that:-
  - i) a student had all the three faults
  - ii) a students had exactly two faults
  - iii) a students had no faults at all

10. A shop is stocked with plates which are from two suppliers **A** and **B**. They are brought in the ratio of 3:5 respectively. 10% of plates from **A** are defective and 6% of plates from **B** are de

11. In a science class  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the class are boys and the rest are girls. 80% of the boys and 90% of the girls are right handed and the rest are left handed. The probability that a right handed student will break a test-tube in any session is  $\frac{1}{10}$  and the corresponding for the left handed student is  $\frac{3}{10}$ , their probability being independent of the student sex .

a) Complete the probability tree diagram given below



b) Using the tree diagram, find the probability that :

- i) A student chosen from the class is left handed
- ii) A test-tube is broken by a left handed student
- iii) A test-tube is broken by a right handed student
- iv) A test-tube is not broken in any session

ii)

12. Students who performed well in an examination are to be given an outing. A student has to throw two dice. If he gets a sum greater than 8, he gets a two-days outing, otherwise he gets a one day outing.

(a) Find the probability that a student gets a two-day outing

- (b) A student who qualifies for a two-day outing throws a die and a coin to decide whether he gets pocket money for the two days or for only one day. If he gets a head and a multiple of 3 he gets pocket money for two days. Find the probability that he is given a two-day outing but given pocket money for only one day
- (c) If a student gets a one-day outing, he throws a die to decide if he gets pocket money or not. If he gets a number greater than 4 he gets the pocket money. Find the probability that:-
  - (i) A student gets pocket money for two days
  - (ii) A student gets pocket money

13. A bag contains 6 red beads and 4 white ones. Two beads are selected from the bag at random without replacement.
- (a) Draw a tree diagram to represent the above information.
  - (b) Calculate the probability that:
    - (i) Both beads are white.
    - (ii) Both beads are of the same colour.
    - (iii) At least a red bead is picked.
    - (iv) The two beads are of different colours.
14. A bag contains blue, green and red pens of the same type in the ratio 8:2:5 respectively. A pen is picked at random without replacement and its colour noted.
- a) Determine the probability that the first pen picked is;
    - (i) blue
    - (ii) either green or red.
  - b) Using a tree diagram, determine the probability that;
    - (i) the first two pens picked are both green.
    - (ii) Only one of the first two pens picked is red.
- c) (i) Draw the probability space for the possible outcomes when a coin is tossed and a die thrown simultaneously
- (ii) Determine the probability of getting a head and an even number.
15. A box contains five red balls and four black balls all identical. Three balls are drawn without replacement from the box at random;
- (a) Draw a tree diagram to show the situation
  - (b) use the tree diagram to find the probability that;
    - (i) the balls picked are of the same colour
    - (ii) more red balls were picked
    - (iii) at least a black ball was picked
    - (iv) atmost 1 red ball was picked
16. A bag contains 10balls of which 3 are red, 5 are white and 2 are green. Another bag contains 12balls of which 4 are red, 3 are white and 5 are green. A bag is chosen at random and then a ball chosen at random from the bag. Find the probability that the ball so chosen is red
17. In a certain science class  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the class are boys and the rest girls.  $\frac{4}{5}$  of the boys and  $\frac{9}{10}$  of the girls are right handed, and the rest are left handed. The probability that a right handed student will break a test-tube in any session is  $\frac{1}{10}$  and the corresponding probability for a left handed student is  $\frac{3}{10}$ , these probabilities being independent of the student's sex.
- (a) Represent this information on a tree diagram
  - (b) Using the diagram above;
    - (i) determine the probability that a student chosen at random form the class is left handed
    - (ii) determine the probability that a student chosen at random from the class is right handed

and will break a test tube in any session

(c) determine the probability that a test tube is broken in any session

18. A box contains 5 red biro pens, 4 black biro pens and 6 green biro pens. If three pens are picked once at random, find the probability that:
- (i) all the biro pens are red
  - (ii) the biro pens are of the same colour
  - (iii) the biro pens are one of each colour
  - (iv) none of the biro pens is red
19. The probability that Chebet goes to bed on time is  $\frac{3}{4}$ . If she goes to bed on time, the probability that she wakes up on time is  $\frac{5}{6}$ , otherwise her probability of waking up on time is  $\frac{1}{3}$ .
- (a) (i) Find the probability of Chebet getting to bed on time and waking up on time by use of diagram
- (ii) Waking up late
- (b) If Chebet wakes up late, her probability of getting to class on time is  $\frac{1}{5}$  otherwise, her probability of getting to class on time is  $\frac{3}{5}$ .
- (i) Find the probability of Chebet getting to bed on time and gets to class late
- (ii) Getting to bed late and get to class on time