



1. C
2. A
3. C
4. D
5. C
6. B
7. B
8.  $E\left(\frac{4}{45}\right)$
9. D
10. C
11. B
12. A
13. C
14. B
15. D
16. C
17. B
18. C
19. B
20.  $E\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)$
21. B
22. C
23. B
24. A
25. B
26. D
27. A
28. C
29. C
30. D



1. **C** The two possibilities are BBB and BBG, the 3<sup>rd</sup> child is a girl half the time.
2. **A** There are  $6! = 720$  arrangements of all the digits.  $5! = 120$  start with a 3, and  $5! = 120$  end with a 4, but  $4! = 24$  of these were counted twice. Those elements which were counted twice we don't wish to count at all, so we subtract 24 twice, and find that  $120 + 120 - 24 - 24 = 192$  combinations meet the desired requirements, so the probability is  $\frac{4}{15}$ .
3. **C**  $1210!$  ends with  $\left\lfloor \frac{1210}{5} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{1210}{5^2} \right\rfloor + \dots = 242 + 48 + 9 + 1 = 300$  zeros, but  $1209!$  ends with 299 zeros, so  $n!$  ends with at least 300 zeros iff  $n \geq 1210$ . There are 791 natural numbers in  $[1210, 2001)$ , and 2000 natural numbers in  $[1, 2001)$ , so the probability is  $\frac{791}{2000}$ .
4. **D** The sum must be 2, 3, 5, 7, or 11, which have respective probabilities:  $\frac{1}{36}$ ,  $\frac{2}{36}$ ,  $\frac{4}{36}$ ,  $\frac{6}{36}$ , and  $\frac{2}{36}$ . The sum is  $\frac{15}{36} = \frac{5}{12}$ .
5. **C** A number is divisible by 3 iff the sum of its digits is divisible by 3. These 6 digits add to 21, so a subset of 4 digits will be a multiple of 3 iff the 2 digits not chosen are a multiple of 3. There are  ${}_6C_2 = 15$  ways to choose these 2 digits, and the only ways to have the sum a multiple of 3 are: 1, 2; 1, 5; 2, 4; 3, 6; and 4, 5. So the probability is  $\frac{5}{15} = \frac{1}{3}$ .
6. **B** The area within 3 units is 9 square units, the area within 4 is 16.  $\frac{(16-9)}{16} = \frac{7}{16}$ .
7. **B** Regardless of the first card I choose, there are 3 remaining cards of the same rank, of the remaining 51 total choices.  $\frac{3}{51} = \frac{1}{17}$ .
8. **E** ( $\frac{4}{45}$ ) This is only possible if Saahil is in one of the 8 leftmost seats, which will occur with probability  $\frac{8}{10}$ . If Saahil is in one of these seats, the probability that Saajan is in the seat 2 to his right is  $\frac{1}{9}$ . So  $\left(\frac{8}{10}\right)\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) = \frac{4}{45}$  is the probability of Saajan being 2 to Saahil's right.
9. **D**  $1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{7}{8}$ .
10. **C** We're looking for the probability that the first 4 balls are not blue:  
 $\frac{7}{12}\left(\frac{6}{11}\right)\left(\frac{5}{10}\right)\left(\frac{4}{9}\right) = \frac{7}{99}$ .
11. **B** There are 36 choices for each of the first 3 characters and 10 for each of the last 4.
12. **A** Consider placing students around the table one at a time, and find the probability that placing each student preserves the girl-boy ordering. For seat #1, any of the 10 students will preserve the order. For seat #2 (seats ordered in order), we must place a student of opposite gender to seat #1, there are 5 such students unseated of our 9 choices, so the probability of preserving the order at this seat is  $\frac{5}{9}$ . #3 must be different from #2, which occurs with probability  $\frac{4}{8}$ , etc. The probability that the order is preserved in all seats is  
 $\left(\frac{10}{10}\right)\left(\frac{5}{9}\right)\left(\frac{4}{8}\right)\left(\frac{4}{7}\right)\left(\frac{3}{6}\right)\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{1}\right) = \frac{1}{126}$ .
13. **C** If my speed is at least 25 mph I'll travel 200 miles in a day, otherwise my expected distance is 100 miles. So my overall expected distance is  $.5(200) + .5(100) = 150$ .  $\left\lceil \frac{2500}{150} \right\rceil = 17$ .



14. **B** 
$$\frac{5(4)+8(7)}{13(12)} = \frac{20+56}{156} = \frac{76}{156} = \frac{19}{39}$$

15. **D** First note that any number relatively prime to 2 is relatively prime to 4 (and vice versa) so we count the number of natural numbers less than 2006 that are relatively prime to 2 and 3. By the inclusion-exclusion principal this count is:

$$2005 - \left\lfloor \frac{2005}{2} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{2005}{3} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{2005}{6} \right\rfloor = 2005 - 1002 - 668 + 334 = 669. \text{ So the probability is } \frac{669}{2005}.$$

16. **C** Here are the 3 cases, each with probability  $\frac{1}{3}$ :

	#1	#2	#3
A:	\$0	\$0	\$30
B:	\$0	\$30	\$0
C:	\$30	\$0	\$0

Without loss of generality, assume that you initially picked door #1. In case 1 and 2, the host reveals doors #2 and #3 respectively, and in case #1 he reveals either other door. The cases are now:

	#1	other remaining door
A:	\$0	\$30
B:	\$0	\$30
C:	\$30	\$0

If you don't switch, you get \$0  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the time and \$30  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the time, so 16 is \$10. If you do switch, you get \$30  $\frac{2}{3}$  and \$0  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the time, so 17 is (counter intuitively) \$20.

17. **B** There are a total of 3 heads, each of which is equally likely to be showing. Two of these heads belong to the two-headed coin and one does not. Therefore the probability that the coin is the two-headed one is  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

18. **C** The student has a  $\frac{1}{5}$  chance of answering each question correctly, regardless of what the correct answer choice is.

19. **B** There are 10 heads, 4 of them on fair coins, so the probability that the chosen head is on a fair coin is  $\frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$ .

20. **E**  $(\frac{4}{9})$  
$$\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) + \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) + \dots = \frac{\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)} = \frac{4}{9}$$

21. **B** 8 of the 64 small cubes are entirely unpainted, 24 are painted on only 1 side. If the tossed cube is one of the 8 then all 5 showing faces are of course unpainted. If it is one of the 24, then there is a  $\frac{1}{6}$  chance that it is unpainted.  $\frac{8}{64} + \frac{24}{64}\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{12}{64} = \frac{3}{16}$ .

22. **C** 
$$\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{4}{12}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{4}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

23. **B** 
$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \rightarrow P(A \cap B) = .2. \quad P(A|\bar{B}) = P(A \cap \bar{B}) / P(\bar{B})$$

$$= [P(A) - P(A \cap B)] / [1 - P(B)] = [.3 - .2] / [1 - .5] = .1/.5 = .2$$



24. **A**  $x^2 + bx + c^2 = 0$  has only real roots when  $b^2 - 4c^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow |b| \geq 2|c|$ . With the given domains, this can only be true only when  $2 \leq b \leq 8$  (also the point  $b = -2, c = 1$ , but the probability of this point is 0). Making a graph of  $c$  versus  $b$ , our sample space is the rectangle bound by  $-2 \leq b \leq 8$  and  $1 \leq c \leq 4$ , and graph of the values producing real roots is the triangle bound by  $(1, 2)$ ,  $(4, 8)$ , and  $(1, 8)$ . The area of this triangle is 9 and the area of the rectangle is 30, so the probability of real roots is  $\frac{9}{30} = \frac{3}{10}$ .

25. **B** 
$$\frac{6}{36} + \frac{28}{36} \left(\frac{6}{36}\right) + \left(\frac{28}{36}\right)^2 \left(\frac{6}{36}\right) + \dots = \frac{\frac{6}{36}}{1 - \frac{28}{36}} = \frac{3}{4}$$

26. **D**  $P(5 \text{ 4's}) = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^5 = \frac{1}{6^5}$ .  $P(4 \text{ 4's}) = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^4 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^1 \binom{5}{4} = \frac{25}{6^5}$ .  $P(4 \text{ or } 5 \text{ 4's}) = \frac{26}{6^5}$ .

27. **A**

28. **C** The area under any probability distribution function must be 1. In this case the area is  $\frac{c^2}{2}$  (for positive  $c$ , otherwise the area is 0). So we solve  $\frac{c^2}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow c = \sqrt{2}$ .

29. **C** The possible orderings of his throws are 1, 2, 3; 1, 3, 2; and 3, 1, 2. Each occurs with equal probability, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> is further than the 1<sup>st</sup> in  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the cases.

30. **D**