

Key

1. Classify each pair of events as mutually exclusive or non-mutually exclusive.

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|    | Event A   | Event B   |
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| a) | Randomly drawing a grey sock from a drawer      | Randomly drawing a wool sock from a drawer      |
| b) | Randomly selecting a student with brown eyes    | Randomly selecting a student on the honour roll |
| c) | Having an even number of students in your class | Having an odd number of students in your class  |
| d) | Rolling a six with a die                        | Rolling a prime number with a die               |
| e) | Your birthday falling on a Saturday next year   | Your birthday falling on a weekend next year    |
| f) | Getting an A on the next test                   | Passing the next test                           |

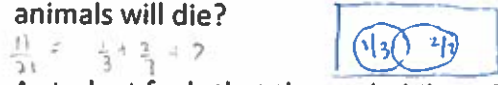
2. The probabilities that John will receive an A, B, C, D, or E on a test is 0.13, 0.26, 0.45, 0.11 and 0.05 respectively. What is the probability that John will get the following result?

- a) An A or B  $0.13 + 0.26 = 0.39$
- b) At least a D  $0.11 + 0.26 + 0.45 + 0.11 = 0.95$
- c) Less than A  $0.87 \quad (1 - 0.13)$

3. In a large sample of families in Canada, it was found that 80% of the husbands and 60% of the wives were employed outside the home. In 53% of the cases, both the husband and wife were employed outside the home. Assume that the sample is representative of the whole population of Canada. What is the probability that

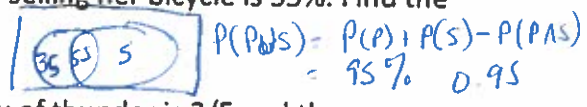
- a. At least one spouse is employed outside the home  $P(H \cup W) = P(H) + P(W) - P(H \cap W) = 80\% + 60\% - 53\% = 87\%$
- b. Neither spouse is employed outside the home  $1 - 0.87 = 0.13$  or 13%

4. Environmentalists have accused a large company of dumping nuclear waste material in a local river. The probability that either the fish in the river or the animals that drink from the river will die is  $\frac{11}{21}$ . The probability that only the fish will die is  $\frac{1}{3}$  and the probability that only the animals that drink from the river will die is  $\frac{2}{7}$ . What is the probability that both the fish and the animals will die?



overlap region!  $\frac{2}{21}$

5. A student feels that the probability of passing her driver's test is 90%, the probability of selling her bicycle is 60% and the probability of passing the test and selling her bicycle is 55%. Find the probability that she will pass the test or sell her bicycle.



6. On a certain day, the probability of rain is  $\frac{4}{5}$ , the probability of thunder is  $\frac{3}{5}$  and the probability of both is  $\frac{2}{5}$ . What is the probability that it will rain or thunder?

$$P(R \cup T) = P(R) + P(T) - P(R \cap T)$$

$$= 100\%$$

