

Binomial Distribution Answers

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1. (a) $E(X) = 2$ A1 N1
- (b) evidence of appropriate approach involving binomial (M1)
e.g. $\binom{10}{3}(0.2)^3, (0.2)^3(0.8)^7, X \sim B(10, 0.2)$
 $P(X = 3) = 0.201$ A1 N2
- (c) **METHOD 1**
 $P(X \leq 3) = 0.10737 + 0.26844 + 0.30199 + 0.20133 (= 0.87912\dots)$ (A1)
 evidence of using the complement (seen anywhere) (M1)
e.g. 1 – any probability, $P(X > 3) = 1 - P(X \leq 3)$
 $P(X > 3) = 0.121$ A1 N2
- METHOD 2**
 recognizing that $P(X > 3) = P(X \geq 4)$ (M1)
e.g. summing probabilities from $X = 4$ to $X = 10$
 correct expression or values (A1)
e.g. $\sum_{r=4}^{10} \binom{10}{r} (0.2)^{10-r} (0.8)^r$
 $0.08808 + 0.02642 + 0.005505 + 0.000786 + 0.0000737 + 0.000004 + 0.0000001$
 $P(X > 3) = 0.121$ A1 N2

2. (a) evidence of binomial distribution (may be seen in parts (b) or (c)) (M1)
e.g. np , 100×0.04
 mean = 4 A1 N2
- (b) $P(X = 6) = \binom{100}{6} (0.04)^6 (0.96)^{94}$ (A1)
 $= 0.105$ A1 N2
- (c) for evidence of appropriate approach (M1)
e.g. complement, $1 - P(X = 0)$
 $P(X = 0) = (0.96)^{100} = 0.01687\dots$ (A1)
 $P(X \geq 1) = 0.983$ A1 N2

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3. (a) evidence of using binomial probability (M1)
e.g. $P(X = 2) = \binom{7}{2} (0.18)^2 (0.82)^5$
 $P(X = 2) = 0.252$ A1 N2
- (b) **METHOD 1**
 evidence of using the complement M1
e.g. $1 - (P(X \leq 1))$
 $P(X \leq 1) = 0.632$ (A1)
 $P(X \geq 2) = 0.368$ A1 N2
- METHOD 2**
 evidence of attempting to sum probabilities M1
e.g. $P(2 \text{ heads}) + P(3 \text{ heads}) + \dots + P(7 \text{ heads})$, $0.252 + 0.0923 + \dots$
 correct values for each probability (A1)
e.g. $0.252 + 0.0923 + 0.0203 + 0.00267 + 0.0002 + 0.0000061$
 $P(X \geq 2) = 0.368$ A1 N2

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4. (a) (i) Attempt to find $P(3H) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3$ (M1)
 $= \frac{1}{27}$ A1 N2

(ii)	Attempt to find $P(2H, 1T)$	(M1)	
	$= 3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \frac{2}{3}$	A1	
	$= \frac{2}{9}$	A1	N2

(b)	(i)	Evidence of using $np \left(\frac{1}{3} \times 12\right)$	(M1)	
		expected number of heads = 4	A1	N2

(ii)	4 heads, so 8 tails	(A1)	
	$E(\text{winnings}) = 4 \times 10 - 8 \times 6 (= 40 - 48)$	(M1)	
	$= -\$ 8$	A1	N1

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5.	(a)	$X \sim B(100, 0.02)$ $E(X) = 100 \times 0.02 = 2$	A1	N1
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(b)	$P(X = 3) = \binom{100}{3} (0.02)^3 (0.98)^{97}$	(M1)	
	$= 0.182$	A1	N2

(c)	METHOD 1		
	$P(X > 1) = 1 - P(X \leq 1) = 1 - (P(X = 0) + P(X = 1))$	M1	
	$= 1 - ((0.98)^{100} + 100(0.02)(0.98)^{99})$	(M1)	
	$= 0.597$	A1	N2

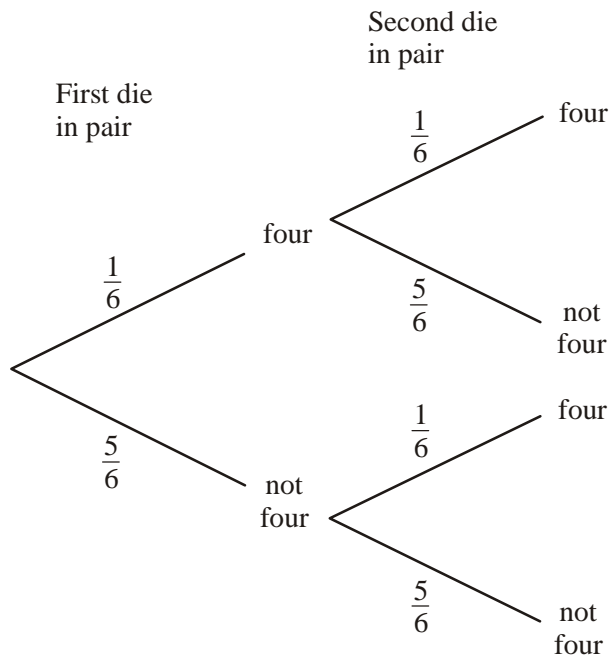
	METHOD 2		
	$P(X > 1) = 1 - P(X \leq 1)$	(M1)	
	$= 1 - 0.40327$	(A1)	
	$= 0.597$	A1	N2

Note: Award marks as follows for finding $P(X \geq 1)$, if working shown.

	$P(X \geq 1)$	A0	
	$= 1 - P(X \leq 2) = 1 - 0.67668$	M1(FT)	
	$= 0.323$	A1(FT)	N0

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6. (a)



A1A1A1 N3

Note: Award A1 for **each pair** of complementary probabilities.

(b) $P(E) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{5}{6} + \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} \left(= \frac{5}{36} + \frac{5}{36} \right)$ (A2)

$= \frac{10}{36} \left(= \frac{5}{18} \text{ or } 0.278 \right)$ A1 N3

(c) Evidence of recognizing the binomial distribution (M1)

eg $X \sim B\left(5, \frac{5}{18}\right)$ or $p = \frac{5}{18}, q = \frac{13}{18}$

$P(X = 3) = \binom{5}{3} \left(\frac{5}{18}\right)^3 \left(\frac{13}{18}\right)^2$ (or other evidence of correct setup) (A1)

$= 0.112$ A1 N3

(d) **METHOD 1**

Evidence of using the complement

M1

eg $P(X \geq 3) = 1 - P(X \leq 2)$

Correct value $1 - 0.865$

(A1)

$= 0.135$

A1 N2

METHOD 2

Evidence of adding correct probabilities

M1

eg $P(X \geq 3) = P(X = 3) + P(X = 4) + P(X = 5)$

Correct values $0.1118 + 0.02150 + 0.001654$

(A1)

$= 0.135$

A1 N2

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Note: Candidates may be using tables in this question, which leads to a variety of values. Accept reasonable answers that are consistent with working shown.

$W \sim N(2.5, 0.3^2)$

(a) (i) $z = -1.67$ (accept 1.67)

(A1)

$P(W < 2) = 0.0478$ (accept answers between 0.0475 and 0.0485)

A1 N2

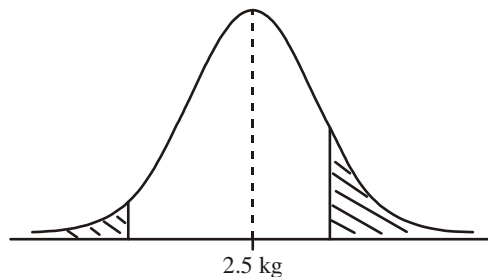
(ii) $z = 1$

(A1)

$P(W > 2.8) = 0.159$

A1 N2

(iii)



A1A1 N2

Note: Award A1 for a vertical line to left of mean and shading to left, A1 for vertical line to right of mean and shading to right.

(iv) Evidence of appropriate calculation

M1

eg $1 - (0.047790 + 0.15866), 0.8413 - 0.0478$

$P = 0.7936$

AG N0

Note: The final value may vary depending on what level of accuracy is used. Accept their value in subsequent parts.

(b) (i)	$X \sim B(10, 0.7935\dots)$		
	Evidence of calculation	M1	
	<i>eg</i> $P(X = 10) = (0.7935\dots)^{10}$		
	$P(X = 10) = 0.0990$ (3 sf)	A1	N1
(ii)	METHOD 1		
	Recognizing $X \sim B(10, 0.7935\dots)$ (may be seen in (i))	(M1)	
	$P(X \leq 6) = 0.1325\dots$ (or $P(X = 1) + \dots + P(X = 6)$)	(A1)	
	evidence of using the complement	(M1)	
	<i>eg</i> $P(X \geq 7) = 1 - P(X \leq 6)$, $P(X \geq 7) = 1 - P(X < 7)$		
	$P(X \geq 7) = 0.867$	A1	N3
	METHOD 2		
	Recognizing $X \sim B(10, 0.7935\dots)$ (may be seen in (i))	(M1)	
	For adding terms from $P(X = 7)$ to $P(X = 10)$	(M1)	
	$P(X \geq 7) = 0.209235 + 0.301604 + 0.257629 + 0.099030$	(A1)	
	$= 0.867$	A1	N3

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8. METHOD 1 Use of the GDC

(a)	Evidence of using the binomial facility,	M1	
	that is set up with $P = \frac{1}{2}$ and $n = 5$.		
	$P(X = 3) = 0.3125 \left(0.313, \frac{5}{16} \right)$	A2	N2
(b)	Evidence of set up, with $1 - P(X = 0)$	M1	
	$= 0.969 \left(= \frac{31}{32} \right)$	A2	N2

METHOD 2 Use of the formula

(a)	Evidence of binomial formula	(M1)	
	$P(X = 3) = \binom{5}{3} \binom{1}{2}^5$	A1	
	$= \frac{5}{16} (= 0.313)$	A1	N2

(b) **METHOD 1**

$$P(\text{at least one head}) = 1 - P(X = 0) \quad (\text{M1})$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$= \frac{31}{32} (=0.969) \quad \text{A1} \quad \text{N2}$$

METHOD 2

$$P(\text{at least one head}) = P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) + P(X = 3) + P(X = 4) + P(X = 5) \quad (\text{M1})$$

$$= 0.15625 + 0.3125 + 0.3125 + 0.15625 + 0.03125 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$= 0.969 \quad \text{A1} \quad \text{N2}$$

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9. (a) $X \sim B(100, 0.02)$
 $E(X) = 100 \times 0.02 = 2$

A1 1

(b) $P(X = 3) = \binom{100}{3} (0.02)^3 (0.98)^{97} \quad (\text{M1})$

$$= 0.182 \quad \text{A1} \quad 2$$

(c) **METHOD 1**

$$P(X > 1) = 1 - P(X \leq 1) = 1 - (P(X = 0) + P(X = 1)) \quad \text{M1}$$
$$= 1 - ((0.98)^{100} + 100(0.02)(0.98)^{99}) \quad (\text{M1})$$
$$= 0.597 \quad \text{A1} \quad 2$$

METHOD 2

$$P(X > 1) = 1 - P(X \leq 1) \quad (\text{M1})$$
$$= 1 - 0.40327 \quad (\text{A1})$$
$$= 0.597 \quad \text{A1} \quad 2$$

Note: Award marks as follows for finding $P(X > 1)$, if working shown.

$$P(X \geq 1) \quad \text{A0}$$
$$= 1 - P(X < 2) = 1 - 0.67668 \quad \text{M1(ft)}$$
$$= 0.323 \quad \text{A1(ft)} \quad 2$$

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10. $p(\text{Red}) = \frac{35}{40} = \frac{7}{8}$ $p(\text{Black}) = \frac{5}{40} = \frac{1}{8}$

(a) (i) $p(\text{one black}) = \binom{8}{1} \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^1 \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^7$ (M1)(A1)
 $= 0.393$ to 3 sf (A1) 3

(ii) $p(\text{at least one black}) = 1 - p(\text{none})$ (M1)
 $= 1 - \binom{8}{0} \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^0 \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^8$ (A1)
 $= 1 - 0.344$
 $= 0.656$ (A1) 3

(b) 400 draws: expected number of blacks = $\frac{400}{8}$ (M1)
 $= 50$ (A1) 2

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11. (a) $p(4 \text{ heads}) = \binom{8}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{8-4}$ (M1)
 $= \frac{8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5}{1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8$
 $= \frac{70}{256} \cong 0.273$ (3 sf) (A1) 2

(b) $p(3 \text{ heads}) = \binom{8}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{8-3} = \frac{8 \times 7 \times 6}{1 \times 2 \times 3} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8$
 $= \frac{56}{256} \cong 0.219$ (3 sf) (A1) 1

(c) $p(5 \text{ heads}) = p(3 \text{ heads})$ (by symmetry) (M1)
 $p(3 \text{ or } 4 \text{ or } 5 \text{ heads}) = p(4) + 2p(3)$ (M1)
 $= \frac{70 + 2 \times 56}{256} = \frac{182}{256}$
 ≈ 0.711 (3 sf) (A1) 3

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