

CHAPTER 5 FORM A

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**Directions:** Answer the questions in the spaces provided, or attach paper. Circle the correct choice for each response set. If required, show calculations in the blank spaces near the problems.

**Provide an appropriate response.**

- 1) Helene claimed that the expected value when rolling a fair die was 3.5. Steve said that wasn't possible. He said that the expected value was the most likely value in a single roll of the die, and since it wasn't possible for a die to turn up with a value of 3.5, the expected value couldn't possibly be 3.5. Who is right? Explain.

- 2) Do probability distributions measure what did happen or what will probably happen? How do we use probability distributions to make decisions?

**Find the mean of the given probability distribution.**

- 3) The probabilities that a batch of 4 computers will contain 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 defective computers are 0.4979, 0.3793, 0.1084, 0.0138, and 0.0007, respectively. Round answer to the nearest hundredth.

A)  $\mu = 1.14$

B)  $\mu = 0.54$

C)  $\mu = 2.00$

D)  $\mu = 0.64$

**Provide an appropriate response. Round to the nearest hundredth.**

- 4) The probabilities that a batch of 4 computers will contain 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 defective computers are 0.4979, 0.3793, 0.1084, 0.0138, and 0.0007, respectively. Find the standard deviation for the probability distribution.

A)  $\sigma = 0.73$

B)  $\sigma = 0.54$

C)  $\sigma = 0.97$

D)  $\sigma = 0.68$



Assume that a procedure yields a binomial distribution with a trial repeated  $n$  times. Use the binomial probability formula to find the probability of  $x$  successes given the probability  $p$  of success on a single trial. Round to three decimal places.

9)  $n = 4, x = 3, p = \frac{1}{6}$

- A) 0.012                      B) 0.004                      C) 0.015                      D) 0.023

Find the indicated probability. Round to three decimal places.

- 10) In a study, 37% of adults questioned reported that their health was excellent. A researcher wishes to study the health of people living close to a nuclear power plant. Among 12 adults randomly selected from this area, only 3 reported that their health was excellent. Find the probability that when 12 adults are randomly selected, 3 or fewer are in excellent health.

- A) 0.120                      B) 0.295                      C) 0.174                      D) 0.204

Find the indicated probability.

- 11) The brand name of a certain chain of coffee shops has a 53% recognition rate in the town of Coffleton. An executive from the company wants to verify the recognition rate as the company is interested in opening a coffee shop in the town. He selects a random sample of 7 Coffleton residents. Find the probability that exactly 4 of the 7 Coffleton residents recognize the brand name.

- A) 0.00819                      B) 0.287                      C) 0.0789                      D) 0.254

Find the mean,  $\mu$ , for the binomial distribution which has the stated values of  $n$  and  $p$ . Round answer to the nearest tenth.

12)  $n = 2142; p = 0.63$

- A)  $\mu = 1349.5$                       B)  $\mu = 1353.2$                       C)  $\mu = 1341.0$                       D)  $\mu = 1344.2$

Find the standard deviation,  $\sigma$ , for the binomial distribution which has the stated values of  $n$  and  $p$ . Round your answer to the nearest hundredth.

13)  $n = 1622; p = 0.57$

- A)  $\sigma = 23.21$                       B)  $\sigma = 17.53$                       C)  $\sigma = 24.06$                       D)  $\sigma = 19.94$

Use the given values of  $n$  and  $p$  to find the minimum usual value  $\mu - 2\sigma$  and the maximum usual value  $\mu + 2\sigma$ . Round your answer to the nearest hundredth unless otherwise noted.

14)  $n = 104, p = 0.21$

- A) Minimum: 17.69; maximum: 25.99                      B) Minimum: -12.67; maximum: 56.35  
C) Minimum: 30.15; maximum: 13.53                      D) Minimum: 13.53; maximum: 30.15

Solve the problem.

- 15) A company manufactures batteries in batches of 13 and there is a 3% rate of defects. Find the mean number of defects per batch.

- A) 0.4                      B) 12.6                      C) 3.9                      D) 39



## Answer Key

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- 1) Helene is right. The expected value is not the most likely value in a single trial, it is the mean value obtained from infinitely many trials. The expected value is the mean we would expect to get if the die could be rolled infinitely many times, which is 3.5.
- 2) Probability distributions measure what will probably happen. Probability distributions provide a theoretical model that is likely to occur. We can then compare actual outcomes to these results to make decisions.
- 3) D
- 4) A
- 5) B
- 6) D
- 7) D
- 8) A
- 9) C
- 10) B
- 11) B
- 12) A
- 13) D
- 14) D
- 15) A
- 16) B
- 17) A
- 18) B
- 19) C
- 20) B