

Probability

The complementary result

QUESTION 1 Complete:

- a $P(\bar{A})$ means the probability that A will _____
- b $P(\bar{A}) = 1 -$ _____

QUESTION 2 Use the complementary result to find the required probability.

- a The probability that the ball lands on red on a roulette wheel is $\frac{18}{37}$. Find the probability that the ball does not land on red.

- b The probability of rain falling on a particular day is $\frac{9}{20}$. What is the probability that rain will not fall on that day?

- c The probability of winning a particular lottery with just one ticket is $\frac{1}{100\,000}$. What is the probability that if you buy one ticket in that lottery you will not win?

- d The probability that a bus will arrive early or on time is 87%. What is the probability that the bus will run late?

- e The probability of a baby being born with a particular birth defect is 0.01%. What is the probability that a baby will not be born with that defect?

- f The thirty students in a class were surveyed and it was found that 12 had seen a particular movie. If a student is selected at random from the class what is the probability that she or he has not seen the movie?

- g Of 144 cows in a dairy herd 30 had calved in the last two months. What is the probability that a cow selected at random from that herd had not calved during the last two months?

- h A survey of 250 families found that 185 had at least one computer. If a family is chosen at random from this group, what is the probability that it does not have a computer?

