

## Experimental Probability



## Common core icons



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The **Standards for Mathematical Practice** outlined in the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics describe varieties of expertise that mathematics educators at all levels should seek to develop in their students.

These are:

- 1) **Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.**
- 2) **Reason abstractly and quantitatively.**
- 3) **Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.**
- 4) **Model with mathematics.**
- 5) **Use appropriate tools strategically.**
- 6) **Attend to precision.**
- 7) **Look for and make use of structure.**
- 8) **Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.**



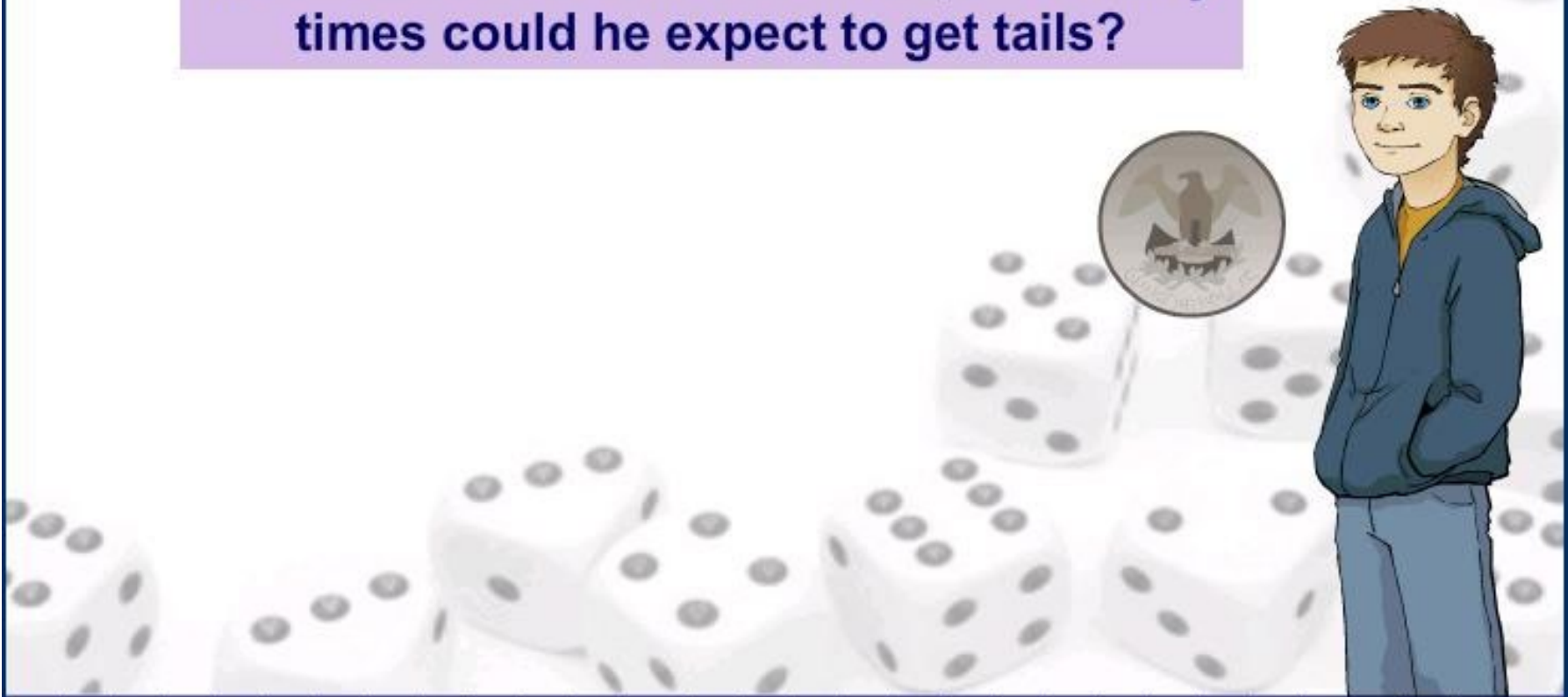
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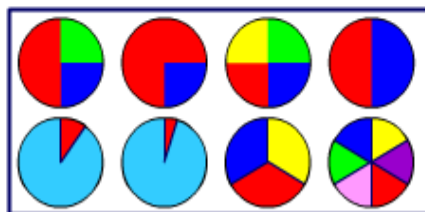
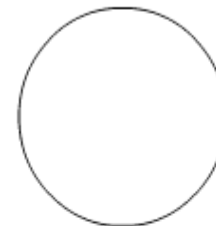


If Sam tosses a coin 250 times, how many times could he expect to get tails?



# Spinners experiment

Choose a top from the box and press to spin it.





Aisha rolled her die 200 times and recorded the results below. She does not believe the die is fair. Is she correct? Why or why not?

Number	Frequency	Relative frequency
1	31	$\frac{31}{200} = 0.155$
2	27	$\frac{27}{200} = 0.135$
3	38	$\frac{38}{200} = 0.190$
4	30	$\frac{30}{200} = 0.150$
5	42	$\frac{42}{200} = 0.210$
6	32	$\frac{32}{200} = 0.160$





What is the probability of a person chosen at random being left-handed?

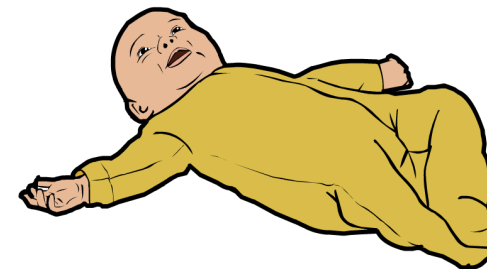


Of the 4,130,665 babies born in the United States in 2009, 527,020 were born in California. Based on this data, what is the probability that the next baby born in the U.S. will be born in California?

Although there are 50 states, more babies are born in some than in others, so the probability is not  $\frac{1}{50}$ . The most accurate way to estimate probability is to find the relative frequency using data from the past.

Relative frequency =  $\frac{\text{California babies}}{\text{total U.S. babies}}$  =

$$\frac{527,020}{4,130,665} = 0.128 \text{ or } 12.8\%$$





1) Carrie suspects that there are fewer red jelly beans than other colors in each bag. If each bag of jelly beans contains eight different colors, what is the theoretical probability of choosing a red candy?



Click the "=" button to show the work step by step.

