## Data

## Activity 8 Assessment

Probability of Two Independent Events

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Calculates theoretical probability for
2 independent events


Spinner 1


Spinner 2

Spinning the pointer on each spinner once

Sample space:

|  |  | Spinner 2 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ | Y |
|  | R | R, O | R, Y |
|  | B | B, O | B, Y |
|  | G | G, O | G, Y |

For green and orange, there is 1 favourable outcome and 6 possible outcomes, so
the theoretical probability of green
and orange is: $\frac{1}{6}$


Spinning the pointer on each spinner once

The results for 10 trials:

| Spinner 1 | Spinner 2 |
| :---: | :---: |
| R | O |
| G | O |
| G | O |
| B | Y |
| G | Y |
| R | O |
| G | O |
| B | Y |
| G | Y |
| R | Y |

The outcome, green and orange, occurred 3 times, and the experiment was conducted 10 times, so the experimental probability of green and orange is
$\frac{3}{10}=0.3=30 \%$

Compares experimental and theoretical probabilities for the same experiment

Tossing two coins


The results for 10 trials

| Nickel | Dime |
| :---: | :---: |
| T | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| T | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| $\mathbf{H}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| H | $\mathbf{T}$ |
| H | $\mathbf{T}$ |
| $\mathbf{H}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| T | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| T | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| $\mathbf{H}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| $\mathbf{H}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ |

Sample space

|  |  | Nickel |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | H | T |
| $\mathbf{O}$ | H | $\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{T}$ |
| $\mathbf{\Xi}$ | T | $\mathrm{T}, \mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{T}, \mathrm{T}$ |

Experimental probability of 2 heads is: $\frac{4}{10}=0.4=40 \%$
Theoretical probability of 2 heads is:
$\frac{1}{4}=0.25=25 \%$
The experimental probability is greater than the theoretical probability.

Understands how the experimental and theoretical probabilities are affected by many trials

For 100s of trials of an experiment, the experimental probability of an outcome may approach its theoretical probability.

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