DAY 6 – Theoretical Probability

- 1. The LA Lakers are favoured to win over the Toronto Raptors. Based on previous games, the Lakers have a $^{7}/_{9}$ chance of winning.
 - a. How many games is each team expected to win if 18 games were played?
 - b. What are the chances of each team winning a single game? Express your answers as percentages.
- 2. The probability of it raining today is 40%. What is the probability of it <u>not</u> raining today?
- 3. Two students invent a game. Two players race pieces around a game board. They roll a die to determine how many spaces to move. They use a spinner to determine whether the player moves her or his own piece, the opponent's piece, or both pieces.
 - a. Make a tree diagram to show the possible outcomes when the die is rolled and the spinner spun.

- b. Suppose you are playing the game. You roll the die and spin the pointer. Determine the probability of each event.
- i. You move only your own piece 6 spaces.
- ii. You move either or both pieces 3 spaces.
- iii. You move only your opponent's piece any number of spaces.

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- 4. The chances of you winning a prize in the Cash for Cancer Lottery is 1 in 7.
 - a. Express your chances of winning a prize as a percent.
 - b. The Lottery sells a limited number of tickets (120,000). What are your chances of winning the grand prize of \$1,000,000 if you purchased
 - i. only one ticket?
- ii. 4 tickets?

iii. 10 tickets?

- 5. A group of people are standing around talking when the topic of birthdays comes up. They are quite surprised when it turns out that two share the same birth month.
 - a. What is the probability of a random person sharing the same birth month as you?
 - b. Based on theoretical probability, how many people in the class should share the same birth month as you?
- 6. For each game of chance described,

		i. state the probability of winning	ii. whether you think the game is worth while (give reasons)
a.	Bet \$1. Toss a coin. If it shows a head, you win \$2.		
b.	Bet \$1. Draw a card from a well-shuffled deck. If it shows a spade, you win \$5.		
c.	Bet \$1. Draw a card from a well-shuffled deck. If it shows an ace, you win \$10.		
d.	Bet \$1. Toss two coins. If they show heads, you win \$3.		