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## Question 1 (20 marks)

a) Define the following terms as used in probability
i) Outcome (2 marks)
ii) Experiment (2 marks)
iii) Unbiased (2 marks)
iv) Event (2 marks)
b) Differentiate between continuous and discrete probability distribution
c) What is the probability that two dice will return a total greater than 9 , if die 1 give 5 ( 4 marks)
d) An urn contains 6 red marbles and 4 black marbles, two marbles are drawn without replacement from the urn. What is the probability that both of the marbles are black?

## Question 2 (20 marks)

a) Explain the following:
i) Binomial distribution (2 marks)
ii) Binomial experiment
b) Differentiate between binomial probability and cumulative binomial probability
c) The probability that Manchester United will win against Harambee Stars in a friendly match is 0.3 . What is the probability that Harambee stars will lose 6 matches if they played 7 friendly matches?
d) The national team rugby coach is to select 7 members of the national rugby team from 9 members of safari seven's 7 members of KCB 13 members of Ulinzi and 11 of KPA. What is the probability that at most 2 members selected for the team would be from safari seven's team?

## Question 3 (20 marks)

a) Explain the meaning of the following as used in normal probability distribution
i) Mean score
(2 marks)
ii) Standard deviation
b) Highlight THREE importance of normal distribution
c) The average number of lions seen on a 1-day safari is 5 . What is the probability that tourists will see fewer than four lions on the next 1-day safari?
(4 marks)
d) An expert typist makes, on average, 2 typing errors every 5 pages. What is the probability that the typist will make at most 5 errors on the next fifteen pages?
e) Bill claims that he can do more push-ups than $90 \%$ of the boys in his school. Last year, the average boy did 50 push-ups, with a standard deviation of 10 pushups. Assume push-up performance is normally distributed. How many pushups would Bill have to do to beat $90 \%$ of the other boys?
(5 marks)

## Question 4 (20 marks)

a) Define the following:
i) Degrees of freedom
ii) Sample mean
b) Differentiate sample mean from the population mean.
c) Describe THREE main important properties of t-distribution.
d) A certain IQ test is normally distributed, with a mean of 100 . Suppose 20 people are randomly selected and tested. The standard deviation in the sample group is 15 . What is the probability that the average test score in the sample group will be at most 110 ?
(4 marks)
e) The Acme Battery Company has developed a new cell phone battery. On average, the battery lasts 60 minutes on a single charge. The standard deviation is 4 minutes. Suppose the manufacturing department runs a quality control test. They randomly select 7 batteries. The standard deviation of the selected batteries is 6 minutes. What would be the chi-square statistic represented by this test?

## Question 5 (20 marks)

a) At the end of every school year, the state administers a reading test to a sample of third graders. The school system has 20,000 third graders, half boys and half girls

This year, a proportionate stratified sample was used to select 36 students for testing. Because the population is half boy and half girl, one stratum consisted of 18 boys; the other, 18 girls. Test scores from each sampled student are shown below:

Boys: 50, 55, 60, 62, 62, 65, 67, 67, 70, 70, 73, 73, 75, 78, 78, 80, 85, 90
Girls: 70, 70, 72, 72, 75, 75, 78, 78, 80, 80, 82, 82, 85, 85, 88, 88, 90, 90
Using sample data, estimate the mean reading achievement level in the population. Find the margin of error and the confidence interval. Assume a $95 \%$ confidence level.
b) The local utility company surveys 101 randomly selected customers. For each survey participant, the company collects the following: annual electric bill (in dollars) and home size (in square feet). Output from a regression analysis appears below.

What is the $99 \%$ confidence interval for the slope of the regression line?

| Regression equation: Annual bill $=0.55 *$ Home size +15 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Predictor | Coef | SE Coef | T | P |
| Constatnt | 15 | 3 | 5.0 | 0.00 |
| Home size | 0.55 | 0.24 | 2.29 | 0.01 |


[^0]:    Instructions to Candidates:
    You should have the following for this examination

    - Answer Booklet

    This paper consist of FIVE questions
    Answer any THREE questions.
    Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown
    This paper consists of THREE printed pages

