

5. The 5 letters of the word ROTOR are placed on separate pieces of paper. By choosing 3 of these pieces of paper, how many distinct 3-letter arrangements can be made?

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|------|------|-----|---|------|
| RR O | OR R | OTR | } | (18) |
| ROR | OR O | ORT | | |
| ORR | ORR | TOR | | |
| RRT | ORT | TRR | | |
| RTR | OTO | RTO | | |
| TRR | TOR | ROT | | |

6. How many distinct arrangements of the letters in the word CHAIR are possible?

$$5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

$$= 120 //$$

7. The letters in the word COUNTS are to be written down in some order from left to right. In how many different ways can this be done?

$$6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

$$= 720 //$$

8. How many different arrangements of the letters of the word SCIENCE have N as their first letter and S as their last?

N _ _ _ _ S

$$\cancel{S} \cancel{C} \cancel{I} \cancel{E} \cancel{N} \cancel{C} \cancel{E} \Rightarrow \frac{5!}{2!} =$$

$$= 5 \times 4 \times 3$$

$$= \textcircled{60}$$

9. How many different ways can the five letters of the word STATE be scrambled if the two T's cannot be consecutive?

① 2 ways: "USE COMPLEMENT": $\frac{5!}{2!} - 4!$

$= 5 \times 4 \times 3 - 24$

$= 60 - 24$

$= 36 //$

② $\begin{matrix} T & & T & & & \\ \hline & & & & & \\ T & & & & T & \\ \hline T & & & & & T \\ \hline & T & & T & & \\ \hline & T & & & T & \\ \hline & & T & & & T \\ \hline & & T & & & T \end{matrix}$ } $\times 2 \times 1 \times 2$

6 ways

Each way: $6 \times 6 = 36$

10. How many different ways can the letters of the word FOUR be scrambled so that the first letter is a vowel and the last letter is a consonant?

$\frac{f}{v} \quad \quad \quad \frac{o}{c}$

$= \underline{2} \underline{2} \times \underline{1} \times \underline{2} = 8$

11. How many ways could 8 different students be selected for president, vice-president and treasurer of a club if each student holds exactly one office?

$\underline{8} \times \underline{7} \times \underline{6}$

$= \underline{336}$

$\begin{array}{r} 56 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 336 \\ 36 \end{array}$

12. In how many ways can 4 students from a group of 9 be seated in a row of 4 chairs?

${}^9P_4 = 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6$

$= 3024 //$

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|----|------|-----|---------------------|
| 72 | 40 | 2 | 2500 220 3024 |
| 70 | 2600 | 140 | |
| 2 | 80 | 4 | |

13. How many 2-letter permutations are there using the letters in the word NUMBER?

$${}^6P_2 = 6 \times 5 \\ = 30$$

14. A softball all-star team is introduced with the catcher first and the pitcher last. If there are 9 players altogether, how many ways can the remaining team members be introduced between the catcher and the pitcher?

$$7! = 5040$$

15. Write the following expression without using the factorial symbol.

$$\frac{(n-4)!}{(n-1)!} = \frac{\cancel{(n-4)!}}{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)\cancel{(n-4)!}} \\ = \frac{1}{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}$$

16. Write the following expression without using the factorial symbol.

$$\frac{(n-6)!}{(n-5)!} = \frac{(n-6)!}{(n-5)(n-6)!} = \frac{1}{n-5}$$

17. Solve for n .

$${}_n P_2 = 20$$

- 2 spaces

1st Method:

$$\frac{n \times (n-1)}{5 \times 4} = 20$$

$$5 \times 4 = 20$$

$$\therefore \boxed{n=5}$$

2nd Method:

$${}_n P_2 = \frac{n!}{(n-2)!} = 20$$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-2)!} = 20$$

$$n(n-1) = 20$$

$$n^2 - n = 20$$

$$n^2 - n - 20 = 0$$

$$(n-5)(n+4) = 0$$

$$\boxed{n=5} \quad n \neq -4$$

18. Solve for r .

$${}_7 P_r = 840$$

1st

$$\underline{7} \times \underline{6} \times \underline{5} \times \underline{4} = 840$$

4 spaces

$$\text{So } \boxed{r=4}$$

$$\frac{7!}{(7-r)!} = 840$$

$$\frac{7!}{840} = (7-r)!$$

$$6 = (7-r)!$$

$$3! = (7-r)!$$

$$3 = 7 - r$$

$$\boxed{r=4}$$

19. Solve for n .

$${}_n P_4 = 360$$

$$\underline{n} \times \underline{(n-1)} \times \underline{(n-2)} \times \underline{(n-3)} = 360$$

$$\text{or } \frac{n!}{(n-4)!} = 360$$

• Trial & error.

$$n=8$$

$$8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \neq 360 \quad (\text{too vs } 4)$$

$$5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 = 360 \quad \boxed{n=5}$$

Answer List

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| 1. 24 (numbers) | 2. 5040 (ways) | 3. 12 (ways) |
| 4. 24 (sequences) | 5. 18 (arrangements) | 6. 120 (arrangements) |
| 7. 720 (ways) | 8. 30 (arrangements) | 9. 36 (ways) |
| 10. 8 (ways) | 11. 8 (ways) | 12. 3024 |
| 13. 30 | 14. 5040 | 15. $\frac{1}{(n-3)(n-2)(n-1)}$ |
| 16. $\frac{1}{(n-5)}$ | 17. 5 | 18. 4 |
| 19. 6 | | |

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