Lesson 12-1

Example 1 Use a Tree Diagram

PIZZA Classic Pizza bakes their pizzas in red or white sauce on a thin or thick crust. They offer pepperoni, sausage, or olives as their toppings. Draw a tree diagram to determine the number of different pizzas they offer with one topping.



There are 12 different pizzas.

Example 2 Real-World Example

LICENSE PLATES The state of Ohio has license plates that use 6 characters. The characters are ordered with two letters of the alphabet, then two numbers between 0 and 9, then two more letters of the alphabet. How many different license plates are possible?

Use the Fundamental Counting Principle.

number of possible letters for the first place	×	number of possible letters for the second place	×	number of possible numbers for the third place	×	number of possible numbers for the fourth place	×	number of possible letters for the fifth place	×	number of possible letters for the sixth place	
26	×	26	×	10	×	10	×	26	×	26 =	45,697,600

There are 45,697,600 possible license plates.

Example 3 Real-World Example GAMES What is the probability of winning a lottery game where the winning number is made up of four digits from 0 to 9 chosen at random?

First, find the number of possible outcomes. Use the Fundamental Counting Principle.

choices for the first digit	×	choices for the second digit	×	choices for the third digit	×	choices for the fourth digit	=	total number of outcomes	
10	×	10	×	10	×	10	=	10,000	

There are 10,000 possible outcomes. There is 1 winning number. So, the probability of winning with one ticket is $\frac{1}{10,000}$. This can also be written as a decimal, 0.0001, or as a percent, 0.01%.