Time Frame: 50 minutes

Subject Matter: Mean, Variance, & SD of Binomial Distribution

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Objective: TSWBAT find the mean, variance, and standard deviation for the variable of a binomial distribution.

Standards: DA – 5.6

Materials: Transparencies and Worksheets

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Presentation of Information:

The teacher will discuss the following:

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| Mean, Variance, and Standard Deviation for the Binomial Distribution |
| The mean, variance, and standard deviation of a variable that has the *binomial distribution* can be found by using the following formulas.  Mean  Variance  Standard deviation |

**Example 1:**

A coin is tossed 4 times. Find the mean, variance, and standard deviation of the number of heads that will be obtained.

**Solution**

With the formulas for the binomial distribution and *n* = 4, *p* = , and *q* = , the results .are

Mean

Variance

Standard deviation

**Example 2:**

A die is rolled 480 times. Find the mean, variance, and standard deviation of the number of 2s that will be rolled.

**Solution**

It is given that *n* = 480 and *p* = . This is a binomial situation, where getting a 2 is a success and not getting a 2 is a failure; hence,

Mean

Variance

Standard deviation

**Example 3**

The *Statistical Bulletin* published by Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. reported that 2% of all American births result in twins. If a random sample of 8000 births is taken, find the mean, variance, and standard deviation of the number of births that would result in twins.

Source: *JOO% American* by Daniel Evan Weiss.

**Solution**

This is a binomial situation, since a birth can result in either twins or not twins (i.e., two outcomes).

Mean

Variance

Standard deviation

Let Me Try

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Source: *Harper's Index.*

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3. It has been reported that 83% of federal government employees use e-mail. If a sample of 200 federal government employees is selected, find the mean, variance, and standard deviation of the number who use e-mail.

Source: *USA TODAY.*

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Homework:

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