

Chapter 14: Probability & Statistics
Topic 1: Permutations & Combinations

New Term: Factorial. Expressed as **n!** means to multiply all consecutive integers from n down.

Example: $5! =$

Fundamental Counting Principle:

- Purpose: Determine the number of ways an event can occur.
- Identify it: "How many ways can (an event) occur?"
- Use it: Multiply together the possibility for each.
- Example: Katrina plans on wearing one necklace, one bracelet, and one ring. If she owns 6 necklaces, 8 bracelets, and 5 rings, how many different jewelry combinations can she make?

$6 \times 8 \times 5 = 240$

Katrina has 240 options on how she can wear her jewelry

Permutations:

- Purpose: Determine how many groups of objects from the same set can be made
- Identify it: ORDER MATTERS
- Use it: ${}_n P_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$ Where n = Total r = Want
- Find it on your calculator: MATH → PRB → 2: ${}_n P_r$
- Example: Kayla has 10 books in her room. She only has room for 5 of them on her shelf. Determine the number of ways that she can put the books on the shelf

${}_{10}P_5 = 10! / (10-5)! = 30,240$

There are 30,240 ways she can arrange the books.

Combinations:

- Purpose: Determine how many groups of objects from the same set can be made
- Identify it: ORDER DOES NOT MATTER
- Use it: ${}_n C_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$ Where n = Total r = Want
- Find it on your calculator: MATH → PRB → 3: ${}_n C_r$
- Example: Choosing 6 numbers, in any order, from the numbers 1 through 59 for a lottery game where the jackpot is won for all six numbers match the winning numbers.

${}_{59}C_6 = 59! / 6!(59-6)! = 45,057,474$

There are 45,057,474 lottery jackpot combinations.

