September 2013 Joke Contest

Why did the math student use Windex to polish his silverware?
He didn’t know how to use “Stirling’s Formula.”

Monty Hall walks into a bar, sits down to have a few drinks and soon has to use the bathroom. He looks around and sees there are three doors (men's room, women's room, entrance). Monty is pretty drunk and can't read the writing on the doors to distinguish which is which. He chooses a door. Then he notices a woman coming out of the door next to it, which then cannot be the men's room, so he switches from his original pick to the third option. He stumbles over, opens the door, and a goat kicks him in the chest and runs away with his car.

Q: Why did the Baltimore baseball team change their numbers to ‘n’, ‘(n-1)’, ‘(n-2)’ ... ‘2’, ‘1’? A: Because they are “n-fact-Orioles”!

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Honorable Mention

The problem with taking a course in probability: You’ll end up spending more time figuring out all the possible ways to arrange the textbooks on your shelf than you will actually reading those textbooks.

Let \( E = \{ \text{potential mates who are Educated enough to be intellectually interesting} \} \)
Let \( H = \{ \text{potential mates who are Handsome or otherwise attractive} \} \)
Let \( O = \{ \text{potential mates for whom an Opportunity exists. (i.e., they are not in a relationship)} \} \)
Let \( P = \{ \text{potential mates whose Personality is enjoyable and whose Politics do not get in the way} \} \)
Prove \( HOPE \neq \emptyset \)

If there are 16 games in an NFL season how many possible records are there for the Jacksonville Jaguars?

Answer: 1  (0-16 since they can’t possibly beat a real NFL team)

Given that you don't understand conditional probability, what is the probability that you will answer this question correctly?

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