

# Probability and Combinatorics

## Question

Suppose a bag contains *three red* tiles and *one blue* tile. Suppose you pull out two tiles. Which of the following is more likely?

- (a) The two tiles are the same color.
- (b) Each of the two tiles is a different color.
- (c) Neither

Answer: c. Neither. It is suggested that students investigate the sample space to justify. This is a nice problem to introduce a unit on combinatorics, as it is somewhat counterintuitive.