Tips of the Exam

There are several important points that we need to make clear before we take the first exam.

- **Read the Directions! Answer only what is asked!**
- Show work, make sure that your work clearly leads to the answer you give.
- Only simplify your answers if you are specifically asked to do so.
- If the question asks for the probability of an event $E$, it is better to write $\Pr(E) = \frac{1}{2}$ rather than just writing $\frac{1}{2}$.
- It will never hurt you to draw a picture illustrating your problem.
- If you are using a formula in a problem, write it out in general terms before substituting in numbers. In case you make an error in arithmetic, you will still get partial credit.
- There will be about 10-15 questions on the exam, do not spend too much time on just one problem. Also, read the directions and do not answer questions that have not been asked!
- If there are multiple parts of the problem, clearly indicate which part of the question you are answering.
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