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1. a) $1 - 1/4 = 75\%$

b) $1 - 1/2^{10} = 99.9\%$

c) $1 - 1/2^n$

2. if order dependent, there are $n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-k+1)$ possibilities
if order unimportant, divide by possibilities that are just arrangements, or $k!$:

$$\frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-k+1)}{k!} = \frac{n!}{k! \cdot (n-k)!}$$

3. there are $\binom{n}{k}$ possible ways to choose k heads, order independent

The odds of a coin landing on k heads (order dependent) is p^k

The odds of a coin landing on $n-k$ tails is $(1-p)^{n-k}$

So multiplying these odds by the total number of possibilities removes order dependency.

4. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{1/2} e^{-x^2/2} dx$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (\sqrt{2\pi}) = 1$$