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### Puzzle: The Card Draw

A standard deck of 52 playing cards is well shuffled. One card is drawn at random.

#### Question:

What is the probability that the card drawn is either a **red card** or a **king**?

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#### ✓ Answer:

A standard deck has:

- 52 cards total
- 26 red cards (13 Hearts + 13 Diamonds)
- 4 kings (one in each suit)

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Now let's apply the Addition Rule of Probability:

$$P(\text{Red or King}) = P(\text{Red}) + P(\text{King}) - P(\text{Red and King})$$

- $P(\text{Red}) = \frac{26}{52}$
- $P(\text{King}) = \frac{4}{52}$
- There are 2 red kings (King of Hearts and King of Diamonds), so:
  - $P(\text{Red and King}) = \frac{2}{52}$

$$P = \frac{26}{52} + \frac{4}{52} - \frac{2}{52} = \frac{28}{52} = \boxed{\frac{7}{13}}$$

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#### 🎯 Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\frac{7}{13}}$$



## Puzzle: The Painted Box

A cube has all its faces painted. It is then cut into **64 smaller equal cubes**.

### Question:

How many of the smaller cubes will have **exactly one face painted**?

Step 1:

- The large cube is divided into  $64 = 4^3$  smaller cubes
- So, the original cube has 4 divisions along each edge

Step 2: Understanding cube layers:

Only the cubes on the faces, not at the edges or corners, will have exactly one face painted.

Each face of the cube is a  $4 \times 4$  grid = 16 cubes

- On each face, the cubes that are not at the edge form a  $(4 - 2) \times (4 - 2) = 2 \times 2 = 4$  cube section (these are the inner face cubes)

Step 3:

- Each face contributes 4 such cubes with exactly one face painted
- A cube has 6 faces, so:

$$6 \times 4 = \boxed{24 \text{ small cubes have exactly one face painted}}$$

Final Answer:

24

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