## Edexcel AS Mathematics The binomial distribution

## Section 1: Introducing the binomial distribution

## Exercise level 1

1. $X \sim \mathrm{~B}(8,0.6)$. Find the following probabilities:
(i) $\mathrm{P}(X=0)$
(ii) $\mathrm{P}(X=3)$
(iii) $\mathrm{P}(X=6)$
2. $\quad X \sim B(10,0.7)$. Find the following probabilities:
(i) $\mathrm{P}(X=0)$
(ii) $\mathrm{P}(X=1)$
(iii) $\mathrm{P}(X>1)$
(iv) $\mathrm{P}(X<3)$
3. $X \sim B(12,0.4)$.

What is the most likely outcome for $X$ ?
4. $X \sim \mathrm{~B}(8,0.4)$.

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5. A school estimates the probability that a student passes an exam to be 0.9 . Only 5 students are taking the exam.
(i) What is the probability that all 5 students pass?
(ii) What is the probability that only 2 students pass?
(iii) What is the probability that at least 3 students pass?
(iv) What is the most likely number of students who pass?
6. Using recent data provided by the low-cost airline Brianair, the probability that a passenger loses his suitcase on a flight is estimated to be 0.05 . On six different occasions I am taking a flight with Brianair.
(i) What is the probability that I arrive with my suitcase on all flights?
(ii) What is the probability that I lose my suitcase on at least 1 occasion?
(iii) What is the probability that I lose my suitcase exactly once?
7. An online store claims that $75 \%$ of orders are dispatched on the next working day. I use this online store regularly, and only 4 of my last 10 orders were dispatched on the next working day.
(i) What is the probability using the store's figures that exactly 4 out of 10 orders are dispatched on the next working day?
(ii) What is the probability using the store's figures that fewer than 4 out of 10 orders are dispatched on the next working day?

