Probability of a Complement

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The sum of the probability of an event and the probability of its complement is 1.

$$P(\text{event}) + P(\text{not event}) = 1$$

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A jar contains 10 red marbles, 8 green marbles, 5 blue marbles, and 6 white marbles.

A) What is the probability that a randomly selected marble is not green?

P(not green) = 1 - P(green)
$$= 1 - \frac{8}{39}$$

$$= \frac{21}{39}$$

B) What is the probability that a randomly selected marble is not red?

$$P(\text{not red}) = 1 - P(\text{red})$$

= $1 - \frac{10}{29}$
= $\frac{19}{29}$