

CIRCULAR PERMUTATIONS

Types of circular permutations:

- a) stationary - table, people in a ring, etc.
- b) movable - key ring, necklace, charm bracelet

1. In how many ways can:

- a) four people be seated at a table?
- b) six people be seated at a table?
- c) twelve people be seated at a table?
- d) twenty-four students be arranged in a circle?

2. In how many ways can:

- a) four people be seated at a table if:
 - i) two must sit together?
 - ii) three must sit together?
- b) eight people be seated at a table if:
 - i) two must be seated together?
 - ii) three must be seated together?
 - iii) five must be seated together?

3. In how many ways can:

- a) four boys and four girls be arranged in a circle so that they alternate?
- b) eight boys and eight girls be arranged in a circle so that they alternate?
- c) ten boys be arranged in an outside ring and ten girls be arranged in an inside ring?

4. Ten people (5 men and 5 women) are attending a dinner party. In how many ways can they be arranged if:

- a) they are to be arranged in a line for a picture?
- b) they are arranged in a line for a picture but the man and women must alternate?
- c) they are arranged in two lines, men in back and women in front, for a picture?
- d) they are to be arranged in one line but as couples?
- e) they are to be arranged around the dinner table?
- f) they are to be arranged with men and women alternating around the table?
- g) they are to be arranged as couples around the dinner table?
- h) only the host and hostess are to sit together?

5. In how many ways can:

- a) 5 different keys be arranged on a key chain?
- b) 12 different keys be arranged on a key chain?
- c) 8 different coloured beads be arranged on a necklace?
- d) 6 different charms be arranged on a charm bracelet?

6. In how many ways can:

- a) 4 red beads, 6 blue beads and 4 green beads be arranged on

a necklace (only difference in beads is colour)?

b) 3 "c" master keys, 2 "a" master keys and 7 "f" master keys
are to be arranged on a key ring?