- 1. According to the 2000 U.S. Census, 80% of Americans over the age of 25 have earned a high school diploma. Suppose we take a random sample of 120 Americans and record the proportion,  $\hat{p}$ , of individuals in our sample that have a high school diploma.
  - (a) What are the mean and standard deviation of the sampling distribution of  $\hat{p}$ ?

(b) What is the approximate shape of the sampling distribution? Justify your answer.

(c) Suppose our sample size was 30 instead of 120. Compare the shape, center, and spread of this sampling distribution to the one in parts (a) and (b).

(d) You live in a small town with only 500 residents over the age of 25. What is the largest possible sample you can take from your town and still be able to calculate the standard deviation of sampling distribution of  $\hat{p}$  using the method presented in the textbook? Explain.

- 2. George is a big fan of music from the 1960s, and 26% of the songs on his smartphone are Beatles songs. Suppose George sets his mp3 player to "shuffle," so that it selects songs randomly (assume the shuffle function permits repetition of songs, so the "population" of songs is essentially infinite). During a long drive, George plays 50 randomly-selected songs.
  - (a) What are the mean and standard deviation of the proportion of the 50 randomly-selected songs that are Beatles songs?

(b) Calculate the probability that more than 30% of the 50 randomly-selected songs are Beatles songs.

## Quiz 7.2A

standard deviation.

1. (a)  $\mu_{\hat{p}} = 0.80$ ;  $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = 0.037$  (b) ince  $np = (120)(0.8) = 96 \ge 10$  and  $n(1-p) = 120(.20) = 24 \ge 10$ , the distribution is approximately normal. (c)  $\mu_{\hat{p}}$  would not change,  $\sigma_{\hat{p}}$  would be larger (0.073) and the distribution would be non-Normal, since n(1-p) = 30(0.2) = 6, which is less than 10. (d) he largest sample we can take is 50, otherwise the sample would be more than 10% of the population, and sampling without replacement would require a finite population correction to calculate

**2.** (a) 
$$\mu_{\hat{p}} = 0.26$$
;  $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = 0.0620$ . (b)  $P(\hat{p} > 0.30) = P\left(z > \frac{0.30 - 0.26}{0.0620}\right) = P(z > 0.65) = 0.2578$ .