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Preface

Publishing one's own collection of articles is rather immodest. I decided to take such a vain step when I realized that psychologists – potential readers of something like “Children's construction of fair chances” – would never get to read a paper like the one with the late Ester Samuel-Cahn (2001) on Lewis Carroll's error, and vice versa. Hopefully, via this book, both kinds of articles would reach an audience interested in enriching the learning and the teaching of statistics.

The academic level required for reading the articles doesn't exceed that of a basic course in probability and statistics. Side by side with studious research like that on children's concept of probability, the collection includes somewhat lighter, more refreshing items, as, for example, a quick quiz. Each paper can be read in itself, independently of the other ones or their order.

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