Extending Concepts

Investment Portfolio The table shows the rates of return of two stocks for different economic states. In Exercises 17 and 18, use the table.

| | | Rate of return | |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|---------|
| Economic State | Probability | Stock V | Stock W |
| Boom | 20% | 28% | -5% |
| Normal | 65% | 12% | 7% |
| Recession | 15% | -16% | 23% |



- 17. Compare the expected rates of return of the two stocks.
- **18.** You invest 50% of your money in stock V and 50% of your money in stock W. What is the expected rate of return?



Investment Portfolio The table shows the rates of return of three stocks for different economic states. In Exercises 19–22, find the expected rate of return for the portfolio.

| | | Rate of return | | |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|
| Economic state | Probability | Stock X | Stock Y | Stock Z |
| Boom | 20% | 16% | 27% | 3% |
| Normal | 65% | 9% | 13% | 7% |
| Recession | 15% | -5% | -23% | 21% |

