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A set $A \subset \mathbb{Z}$ is an additive 3-basis for $B \subset \mathbb{Z}$ if given any $j \in B$, $j = x + y + z$, where $x, y, z \in A$. We create a random set A by choosing each integer in $[0, n]$ independently with identical probability p , and consider the threshold values of p for which A forms an additive 3-basis for $[n/2, 3n/2]$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. This is found by approximating the distribution of the expected number of missing integers in the random sumset to a Poisson distribution, which is valid under appropriate values of p . The Stein-Chen method and Jansen's inequality are used critically in justifying our approximation. As a comparison, we also study threshold values of p for which random sumsets are sum-free. (Received September 22, 2010)