

### 6.3 Homework : Mean, Median, Mode

#### Question 1

A researcher is investigating how old a group of alcoholics were when they first started to 'significantly' drink. The researcher tabulates her findings as follows:

Age	Frequency	
8	1	
9	2	
10	2	
11	6	
12	7	
13	4	
14	3	
15	1	
16	1	

(a) Write out all the data as a list.

The list starts like this...

8    9    9    10    10    11    11    11    11    11

11    12    12    12    12    12    12    12    13    13

13    13

(b) Work out the mean to one decimal place.

(c) Work out the median.

(d) Write down the mode.

### Question 2

Six sweet pea seeds were planted in each of fifty plant pots.  
After a few weeks the number of seedlings in each pot was counted and the results are given in the following table.

Number of seedlings	1	2	3	4	5	6
Frequency	4	2	8	7	20	9

Showing your working, calculate the mean number of seedlings that have germinated per plant pot.

### Question 3

Twenty children were asked how they rated their English teacher.  
Here are the results:

\*\*\*    \*\*    \*\*    \*\*\*\*    \*    \*\*\*    \*\*    \*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*    \*\*\*    \*\*    \*\*    \*\*\*\*\*    \*\*\*    \*\*\*    \*\*\*\*\*  
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Number of stars	*	**	***	****	*****
Frequency					

- (a) Fill in the frequency row of the table.
- (b) Showing your working, calculate the average (mean) star rating of the English teacher.

#### Question 4

Find the mean, median, mode(s) of the following sets of numbers

##### SET A

10    8    2    10    12    8    6

##### SET B

3    6    2    5    9    2    4

##### SET C

10    8    10    16    7    9    10    8    9

##### SET D

13    16    12    14    19    12    14    13

##### SET E

4    3    4    5    2    5    4    3

**Question 5**

*GCSE Examination Question from May 2007, Paper 4H Q13*

Here are the marks scored in a maths test by the students in two classes.

Class A	2	13	15	16	4	6	19	10
	11	4	5	15	4	16	6	
Class B	12	11	2	5	19	14	6	6
	10	14	9					

( a ) Work out the interquartile range of the marks for each class.

Class A \_\_\_\_\_

Class B \_\_\_\_\_

[ 4 marks ]

( b ) Use your answers to give one comparison between the marks of Class A and the marks of Class B.

[ 1 mark ]

**Question 6**

The following table shows the number of letters that come through my letter box on twenty-five consecutive days.

Number of letters	0	1	2	3	4	5
Number of days	6	7	6	4	1	1

What is the median number of letters through my letter box per day ?

**Question 7**

*GCSE Examination Question from June 2011, Paper 4H Q7.*

Six numbers have a mean of 5.

Five of the numbers are

3      2      7      6      2

The other number is  $x$ .

Work out the value of  $x$ .

[ 3 marks ]

**Question 8**

*GCSE Examination Question from May 2006, Paper 4H Q7.*

( a ) Four numbers have a mean of 6.

Three of the numbers are 3, 7 and 10

Find the other number.

[ 2 marks ]

( b ) Three numbers have a mode of 5 and a mean of 6.

Find the three numbers.

[ 2 marks ]

( c ) Find four numbers which have a mode of 7 and a median of 6

[ 2 marks ]

### Question 9

*GCSE Examination Question from November 2010, Paper 3H Q9*

- ( a ) Three positive whole numbers are all different.  
They have a median of 5 and a mean of 4  
Find the three numbers

[ 2 marks ]

- ( b ) Find four whole numbers which have a mode of 5 and  
a median of 6.

[ 2 marks ]

### Question 10

The time taken to travel to Liverpool from Shrewsbury of six different occasions  
were as follows

1 hr 20 min	1 hr 30 min	1 hr 45 min
2 hr 10 min	1 hr 15 min	2 hr 00 min

- ( a ) Rewrite this data with all of the times converted into minutes.
- ( b ) Using your converted data, calculate the mean (average) time  
of a journey in minutes.
- ( c ) Convert your part (b) answer to give the mean time in hours and minutes.