

# AP STATISTICS

## SUMMER ASSIGNMENT



Welcome to AP Statistics! This course is like none you've ever had before. In Statistics, we combine math, science, social studies, and writing into one unique class that will prepare you for college in ways that no other course can. You will be pushed and challenged in this course; in my experience, the students who see the most success in statistics are the students who are willing to work hard and open their minds to new ideas, regardless of how "good at math" they are. But we'll also have a *lot* of fun in this class – AP Statistics is my favorite course to teach, and there will be many opportunities for hands-on experiences to enrich course content.

The following summer assignment is designed to prepare you for AP Statistics by reviewing some basic content you have seen in previous courses. I believe that it is important to do this work over the summer so that we can spend more time during the school year digging into the more advanced AP content and preparing you all for the AP Exam. There are 5 sections of this summer assignment; in the past, students have been able to complete this assignment in about an hour. For your convenience, I have provided notes and examples for each topic, as well as selected answers on the back so that you can check yourself. We will have a **quiz** during the first two weeks of class over the content in the summer assignment to ensure that you *understand* the necessary knowledge and skills. Thus, while you are certainly encouraged to work with friends on this assignment, it is *NOT* to your advantage to simply copy answers without comprehending the material.

**By the second week of class, you are expected to do the following:**

1. Complete all sections of the summer assignment. **NOTE:** A graphing calculator is not needed for the summer assignment. Any calculator – including the one on your phone – will suffice.
2. Obtain a **TI-84** calculator (one similar to the yellow calculators used in the classroom). If you do not already have one, you may...
  - Check one out from the Ms. Sauer (there will be a limited number available and are an older version)
  - Borrow one from a friend who no longer needs it
  - Purchase your own! (They are expensive, but a worthwhile investment)
  - **NOTE:** If you have another TI calculator, such as a TI-84 or TI-89, you are permitted to use it. If you have a calculator and are unsure if it will work check with me.
    - There are also apps that you can get for your smartphone/tablet that will also work. I will give recommendations after class starts.
3. Take note of how to contact me. **I am happy to answer questions about the summer assignment!**
  - Sign up for REMIND by texting @sauerst to 81010. Follow instructions from there.
  - My email address is [sauerv@skschools.org](mailto:sauerv@skschools.org). (I will check email less often than remind)

I look forward to working with you next year. *Enjoy your summer!*

Yours,

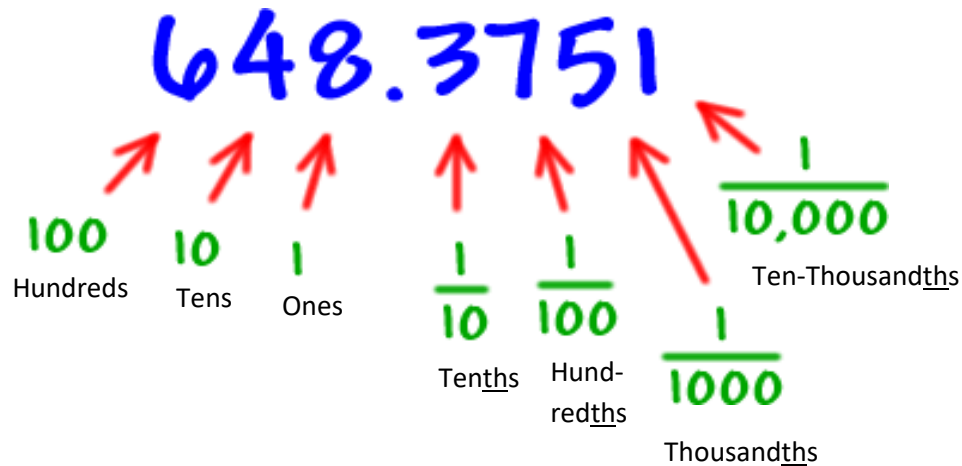
Ms. Sauer

## Part 1: Rounding

*Rounding* allows us to take numbers with many, many digits and re-write them in a way that makes them easier to understand and digest. Since statistics is all about *communicating* data and information, rounding is essential!

Rounding is an art that requires good intuition and number sense. If you don't round enough, your numbers will be hard to interpret. But if you round too much, you are sacrificing the accuracy of your information. Your job as a statistician is to round in such a way that creates a good balance between the two.

***Just always remember: 5 and above round up, 4 and below round down!***



### EXAMPLES:

#### 1. Round 29.4319 to the nearest hundredth

"Hundredths" is the second decimal place, which gives 29.43. The next number is 1, so we round down; the final answer stays **29.43**

#### 2. Round 4.39986 to the nearest ten thousandth

"Thousandths" is the third decimal place, which gives 4.399. However, since next number is 8, we round up; the final answer becomes **4.400** (the next number up from 399 is 400)

#### 3. Round .037292319586

This one is a judgment call. In AP Stat, we usually round to 2, 3, or 4 decimal places, depending on the situation. You should round at least to the nearest hundredth (**.04**), but you can do to the nearest thousandth (**.037**), or nearest ten-thousandth (**.0373**). All of these are technically correct! If you went further than this (such as .037293), you aren't wrong, but too many digits makes the number hard to contextualize and interpret – I would advise against it.

### Practice Problems – Check the answers to the odd-numbered ones in the back of the packet!

Round the following to the given decimal point.

1. Round 12.842 to the nearest tenth

2. Round 0.4892745 to the nearest hundredth

3. Round 0.0342119 to the nearest thousandth

4. Round 0.06049822 to the nearest ten thousandth

Round the following. Use your best judgment.

5. Round 25.6895234

6. Round 0.033231532

7. Round 0.00279625

8. Round 0.63636363...

## Part 2: Fractions, Decimals, and Percentages

In Statistics, we often deal with proportions – an amount out of a total. Proportions can be expressed as fractions, decimals, or percentages (which are just proportions out of 100).

Converting between forms of proportions

**Fraction → Decimal:** This is easy: just *divide* your numerator and denominator! Be aware that you may have to *round* the answer

Examples:

1. Convert  $\frac{11}{14}$  to a decimal

$11 \div 14 = 0.7857142857...$  you must round this! It rounds nicely at 4 decimal places, or **0.7857**.

You could also do **0.79** or **0.786** if you would like

**Percentage → Decimal:** In order to use a percentage in an equation or a calculation, you **MUST** convert it into a decimal! Since percentages are always out of 100, just divide the percentage by 100!

\*A shortcut to this is moving the decimal two places to the left!

Examples:

1. Convert 35% to a decimal

$35 \div 100 = 0.35$ . Likewise, moving the decimal point 2 places to the left means **35.0 → .350**, or **.35**

2. Convert 6.85% to a decimal

$6.85 \div 100 = 0.0685$ . Notice a **ZERO** between the decimal point and the 6 (you need to insert a zero in order to move 2 decimal places to the left)

**Decimal → Percentage:** To turn a decimal into a percentage, simply do the opposite of the percentage-to-decimal procedure. You can *multiply* the decimal by 100, or move the decimal two places to the *right*.

Examples:

1. Convert 0.02 to a percentage

$0.02 \cdot 100 = 2\%$ . Likewise, moving the decimal point 2 places to the right means **0.02 → 2.0**, or **2**

2. Convert  $\frac{5}{12}$  to a percentage

$5 \div 12 = 0.4166666...$  let's round to 0.4167. Then,  $0.4167 \cdot 100$  (or going 2 decimal places to the right) = **41.67%**.

Using Percentages

\*To find a percentage of a number (such as 25% of 84), **multiply** the percentage (*as a decimal*) by the number

Examples:

1. Find 25% of 72

25% is 0.25, and  $0.25 \cdot 72 = 18$

2. Find 3.9% of 749

3.9% is 0.039, and  $0.039 \cdot 749 = 29.211$

NOTE: If you need a whole number, round to **29**

**Practice Problems** – Check the answers to the odd-numbered ones in the back of the packet!

1. Convert $\frac{13}{3}$ to a decimal	2. Convert $\frac{41}{563}$ to a decimal	3. Convert 70% to a decimal	4. Convert 8% to a decimal
5. Give 22.45% as a decimal	6. Give 100% as a decimal	7. Convert 0.672 to a percentage	8. Convert 0.0052 to a percentage
9. Convert $\frac{4}{25}$ to a percentage	10. Convert $\frac{11}{285}$ to a %	11. What is 17.2% of 89?	12. What is 3% of 446?

## Part 3: Summary Statistics – Center and Spread

A *statistic* is a number that gives information about a set of data. Common examples include mean, median, mode (which we won't worry about in AP Stat), range, standard deviation, and more!

### SYMBOLOLOGY

In statistics, we use a variety of *symbols* to represent statistics. Sometimes, the symbol used depends on whether we are talking about a **population** or a **sample** (select members of a given population)

	Mean	Standard Deviation	Median	Number of data points you have
Population	$\mu$ ("mu")	$\sigma$ ("sigma")	No symbol (Often abbreviated "Med.")	<b>n</b>
Sample	$\bar{x}$ ("x-bar")	<b>s</b>		

### Measures of CENTER

The *center* of a data set lets us understand the "average" or "typical" value of a number in that data set. There are two main measures of center: mean and median.

MEAN	MEDIAN
<p>Add up all data points, then divide by the number of data points.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>\mu</math> (or <math>\bar{x}</math>) = <math>\frac{\sum x}{n}</math> (The <math>\Sigma</math> symbol means "Sum")</li> <li>"Sum of data points over number of data points"</li> </ul> <p><b>Example 1:</b> Science grades of a sample of 15 juniors: 91, 87, 66, 74, 85, 98, 43, 88, 77, 62, 83, 91, 89, 52, 100</p> <p>This is a <u>SAMPLE</u>, so <math>\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n} = \frac{1186}{15} = 79.07</math></p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>Example 2:</b> Heights of all 6 people in a family (inches): 47, 58, 61, 65, 68, 70</p> <p>This is the <u>POPULATION</u>, so <math>\mu = \frac{\sum x}{n} = \frac{369}{6} = 61.5</math></p>	<p>The <i>middle number</i> of the data set, assuming that the data points are <b>in order</b> (smallest to largest)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If there are 2 numbers in the middle, find the <i>mean</i> of those two numbers!</li> <li>A nice <b>trick</b> for finding the <i>position</i> of the median is to use <math>\frac{n+1}{2}</math></li> </ul> <p><b>Example 1:</b> Science grades of a sample of 15 juniors: 91, 87, 66, 74, 85, 98, 43, 88, 77, 62, 83, 91, 89, 52, 100</p> <p><math>\frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{15+1}{2} = 8</math>. Median is the <b>8<sup>th</sup></b> number (IN ORDER) 43, 52, 62, 66, 74, 77, 83, <b>85</b>, 87, 88, 89, 91, 91, 98, 100</p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>Example 2:</b> Heights of all 6 people in a family (inches): 47, 58, 61, 65, 68, 70</p> <p><math>\frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{6+1}{2} = 3.5</math>. Median is <b>between the 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup></b> number 47, 58, <b>61, 65</b>, 68, 70; Average = <math>\frac{61+65}{2} = 63</math></p>

### Measures of SPREAD

The *spread* of a data set tells us whether the data points are far apart or clustered together. The most important measure of spread is **standard deviation**, which is the typical distance of the data points from the mean. Other measures of spread, such as Range and IQR, will be discussed in Part 5 of the summer work.

The formulas for Standard Deviation are as follows. Note that they are slightly different for a population and a sample (the sample one will be slightly larger to account for the fact that the sample doesn't include all members of a population)

$$\text{Population: } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}}$$

$$\text{Sample: } s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}}$$

**\*You will NOT have to calculate Standard Deviation by hand in this course!\***

What you *will* have to do, however, is be able to *interpret* and *compare* the Standard Deviations of different data sets:

- Larger Standard Deviation:** The data is more spread out (points are typically further from the mean)
- Smaller Standard Deviation:** The data is closer together (points are typically closer to the mean)

### Example:

**Data Set 1:** 1, 2, 3, 17, 18, 19;  $\mu = 10$ ,  $\sigma = 8.04$

**Data Set 2:** 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13;  $\mu = 10$ ,  $\sigma = 2.16$

Notice how Data Set 1 is more spread out, while Data Set 2 is closer together. This is reflected in the fact that Set 1's Standard Deviation (8.04) is higher than Set 2's Standard Deviation (2.16)

**Practice Problems** – *Check the answers to the odd-numbered ones in the back of the packet!*

1. Find the mean and median of the following data set. **Show work** when appropriate!

**Teaching experience of all USG math teachers (n = 15):** 1, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 7, 7, 18, 23, 26

Symbol for mean: \_\_\_\_\_ Value of mean: \_\_\_\_\_ Position of Median: \_\_\_\_\_ Value of Median: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Find the mean and median of the following data set. **Show work** when appropriate!

**Weights of 8 randomly-selected chickens on a farm (in pounds):** 5.4, 5.7, 6.2, 6.9, 7.2, 7.2, 8.1, 9.0

Symbol for mean: \_\_\_\_\_ Value of mean: \_\_\_\_\_ Position of Median: \_\_\_\_\_ Value of Median: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Find the mean and median of the following data set. **Show work** when appropriate!

**Temperature readings on all thermostats in an office building:** 71, 72, 72, 74, 68, 74, 71, 72, 69, 76

Symbol for mean: \_\_\_\_\_ Value of mean: \_\_\_\_\_ Position of Median: \_\_\_\_\_ Value of Median: \_\_\_\_\_

4. List the following data sets in order from *least spread out* to *most spread out*. Then, **write** 1-2 sentences explaining how you could tell.

**USG Math Teachers:**  $\sigma = 7.02$

**Chickens:**  $s = 1.21$

**Thermostats:**  $\sigma = 2.26$

## Part 4: Graphing Data – Dotplots and Stem-and-Leaf Plots

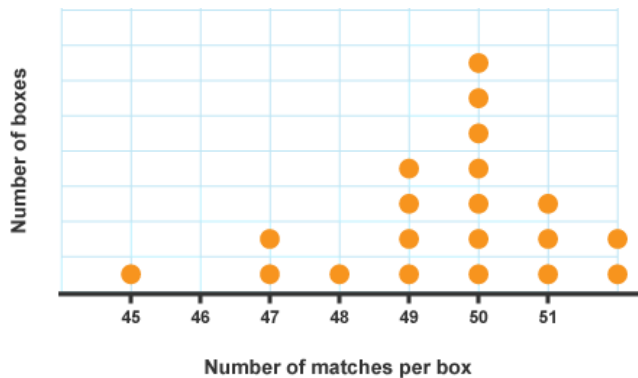
Statistics such as mean, median, and standard deviation are very useful in summarizing data and giving overall trends. But they don't tell the full story. By making a *graph* of the data, we can go *beyond* the numbers and see *shapes* and *patterns* in the data. Shown below are two common ways in which to graph data

### Dotplots

- Make an **AXIS** on the bottom (you can go by 1s, 2s, 5s, 10s...whatever makes sense for the data!)
- Put one dot for each data point on the axis. If there is more than one data point for a given value, *stack* the dots!

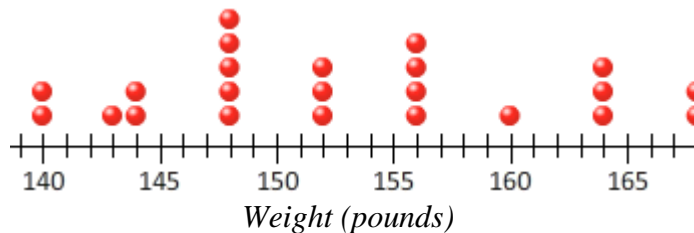
**Example:** Number of matches in 20 randomly-selected boxes.

45, 47, 47, 48, 49, 49, 49, 49, 50, 50, 50, 50, 50, 50, 50, 51, 51, 51, 51, 52, 52



**Example:** Weights of players on a high school baseball team

140, 140, 143, 144, 144, 148, 148, 148, 148, 148, 152, 152, 152, 156, 156, 156, 160, 164, 164, 164, 168, 168

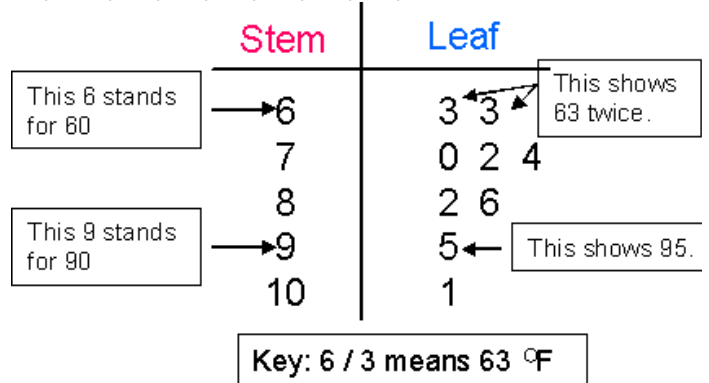


### Stem-and-Leaf Plots (also called Stemplots)

- Use a **KEY** to determine what the stems and leaves are worth
- **DO NOT SKIP STEMS.** If there are no data points for that stem, just keep the stem there and put no leaves after it. Skipping the stem will alter what the stemplot looks like.

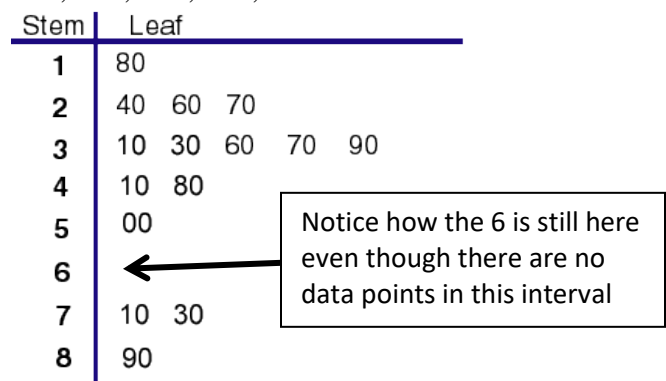
**Example:** Temperatures at OU football games, 2009

95, 101, 86, 82, 70, 74, 63, 72, 63



**Example:** Gross National Product (per capita) of West African countries

180, 240, 260, 270, 310, 330, 360, 370, 390, 410, 480, 500, 710, 730, 890



Key: 4 | 80 means an income of \$480.

Practice Problems are on next page!

### Fuel Economy for a Random Sample of 2015 Model Year Vehicles

The dot plot displays the frequency of fuel economy values for 1977 cars. The x-axis represents Fuel Economy (mpg) from 16 to 40. The y-axis represents the number of cars, with a scale from 0 to 10. The distribution is unimodal and slightly right-skewed, with a peak at 31 mpg.

Fuel Economy (mpg)	Number of Cars
16	1
23	1
24	1
27	1
29	1
30	2
31	8
32	2
40	1

**Times for 100-meter Sprint**

Time (Seconds)	Frequency
10.1	1
10.2	3
10.3	4
10.4	5
10.5	2
10.6	3
10.7	1
11.0	1

stem	leaf
6	9
7	
8	7 8 8 9
9	0 6 7 7
10	0

Key: 6 | 8 means 68

Stem	Leaf
2	0 2 3 6
3	2 3 5 6 7
4	6 8 9
5	4 7
6	2
7	3

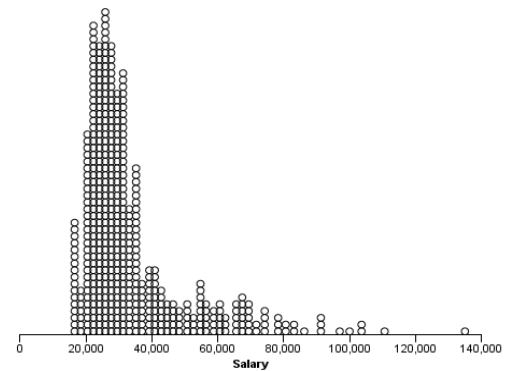
**KEY:**  $4|6 = 4.6$

## Part 5: Graphing Data – Box and Whisker Plots

We can see that dotplots and stemplots are effective ways of graphing and analyzing data sets. But what if a data set had hundreds, or even *thousands*, of data points? Take the dotplot shown at the right, for instance – analyzing each and every dot would take *forever*!

This is why it is important to be able to use *summary statistics* (such as mean, median, and standard deviation) to analyze our data. But in doing so, we lose our ability to *graph* the data and *see* what's going on.

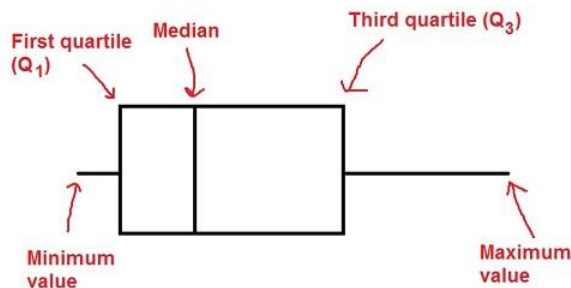
Or do we?



This is the beauty of **Box and Whisker Plots** (or “Boxplots” for short).

A box and whisker plot is a graphical representation of just 5 numbers in a data set:

- **Minimum (Min):** Smallest value in the data set
- **Lower Quartile (Q1):** Midpoint between the Minimum and the Median
- **Median (Med):** Midpoint of the entire data set (as was discussed in Part 3 of the Summer Work)
- **Upper Quartile (Q3):** Midpoint between the Median and the Maximum
- **Maximum (Max):** Largest value in the data set



NOTE: The Mean and Standard Deviation of a data set are **NOT** included in a boxplot. **DO NOT** try to include them or talk about them!

It is important to note that **no matter how far apart or close together these 5 numbers are,  $\frac{1}{4}$  (25%) of the data is in each of the 4 sections of the boxplot** (lower whisker, lower half of the box, upper half of the box, and upper whisker)

Boxplots also allow us to measure **Spread** in 2 ways:

- **Range:** Difference between the extremes of the data (Maximum minus Minimum)
- **Interquartile Range (IQR):** Difference between the two *quartiles* ( $Q3 - Q1$ )

**Example 1:** Points scored by Russell Westbrook, 2016 NBA Playoffs

14, 14, 16, 19, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 28, 29, 30, 31, 31, 35, 36, 36

\*Finding **MEDIAN**: (18 games.  $\frac{18+1}{2} = 9.5$ , so average the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> numbers)

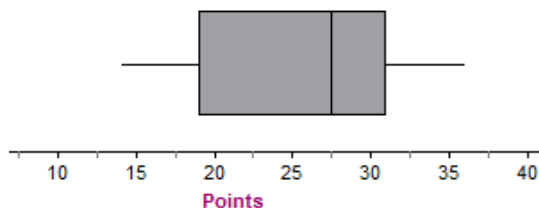
14, 14, 16, 19, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 28, 29, 30, 31, 31, 35, 36, 36

**Median = 27.5**

\*Finding **QUARTILES**: There are 18 data points, so *split* the data set in half! *Find the middle of each half!*

14, 14, 16, 19, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27      28, 28, 29, 30, 31, 31, 35, 36, 36

\***BOXPLOT**: Min = 14, Q1 = 19, Med = 27.5, Q3 = 31, Max = 36



**RANGE:**  $36 - 14 = \underline{22}$

**IQR:**  $31 - 19 = \underline{12}$



**Example 2:** Ages of 9 employees in an office

**37, 24, 51, 46, 62, 28, 35, 49, 55**

\*Finding **MEDIAN**: (9 people.  $\frac{9+1}{2} = 5$ , it's the 5<sup>th</sup> number. **Remember that numbers must be in order!**)

24, 28, 35, 37, **46**, 49, 51, 55, 62

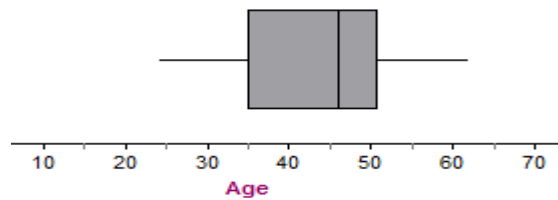
**Median = 46**

\*Finding **QUARTILES**: There are 9 data points, so *split* the data set in half! **NOTE: If there is one number that serves as the median, as with this data set, it is not included in either half!**

**\*Q1\***  
24, **28, 35**, 37      46 (not included)  
Average: 31.5

**\*Q3\***  
49, **51, 55, 62**  
Average: 53

\***BOXPLOT**: Min = 24, Q1 = 31.5, Med = 46, Q3 = 53, Max = 62



**RANGE**:  $62 - 24 = \underline{38}$

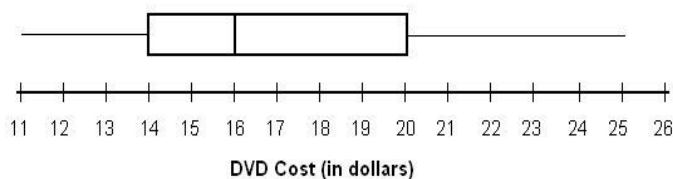
**IQR**:  $53 - 31.5 = \underline{21.5}$

**Practice Problems** – Check the answers to the odd-numbered ones in the back of the packet!

1. Construct a box and whisker plot for the following data set. **Be sure to include an axis** like the ones in the examples!

17, 21, 24, 26, 31, 33, 36, 37, 41, 48

2. Analyze the following boxplot:



Minimum:

Range:

Q1:

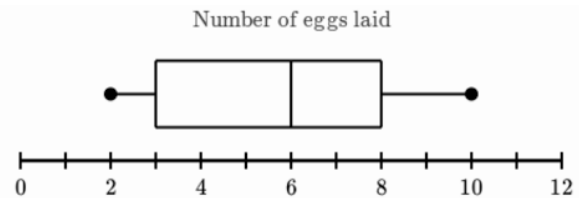
IQR:

Median:

Q3:

Maximum:

3. A farmer has 168 laying hens. He recorded how many eggs each hen laid in one week. A boxplot of the data is shown below.



**HINT**: Remember that each of the 4 sections of the boxplot has  $\frac{1}{4}$ , or 25%, of the data points.

Find the number of laying hens, out of 168, that laid...

A. More than 8 eggs \_\_\_\_ B. Fewer than 6 eggs \_\_\_\_

C. Between 3 & 8 eggs \_\_\_\_ D. Between 2 & 8 \_\_\_\_

## Selected Answers

**NOTE:** All appropriate work must be shown in order to earn full credit on the summer assignment!

### Part 1: Rounding

1) 12.8	3) 0.034	5) 25.7 or 25.69 or 25. 690 or 25.6895	7) 0.0028
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### Part 2: Fractions, Decimals, and Percentages

**NOTE:** Your answers may be slightly different due to rounding. That's fine, as long as you rounded correctly

1) 4.33	3) 0.7	5) 0.2245	7) 67.2%	9) 16%	11) 15.308
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### Part 3: Summary Statistics – Center and Spread

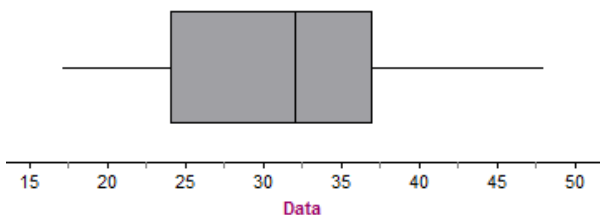
1) Symbol of Mean: $\mu$ Value of Mean: 8 years Position of Median: 8 <sup>th</sup> Value of Median: 5 years	3) Symbol of Mean: $\mu$ Value of Mean: 71.9 degrees Position of Median: 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Value of Median: 72 degrees
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### Part 4: Graphing Data – Dotplots and Stem-and-Leaf Plots

1. 16, 23, 24, 27, 29, 30, 30, 31, 31, 31, 31, 31, 31, 32, 32, 40
3. 69, 87, 88, 88, 89, 90, 96, 97, 97, 100

### Part 5: Graphing Data – Box-and-Whisker Plots

1. Min = 17, Q1 = 24, Med = 32, Q3 = 37, Max = 48



3. A. 42 chickens C. 84 chickens