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Median

- 1. Put all of the values in order from smallest to largest.
- 2. Find the middle value if there is an odd number of values, or middle two values if there is an even number.
- 3. If you have two middle values, add them together and divide by 2. If you only have one value, do not change it. This is the median.

Mode

- 1. Write down the different values you have in your list.
- 2. Write how many times each one has come up next to the value.
- 3. Whichever has the largest number next to it is the mode.

Range

- 1. Find the highest and lowest values.
- 2. Calculate highest value lowest value. This is the range.

Mean

- 1. Add up all the values.
- 2. Divide this by the number of values there are. This is the mean.

Estimated mean

- 1. Calculate the midpoint of each group.
- 2. Calculate midpoint of the group multiplied by frequency of the group for each group.
- 3. Calculate the total of the frequencies, and the total of the midpoint \times frequencies.
- 4. Divide the total of the midpoint \times frequencies by the total of the frequencies. This gives you the estimated mean.

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