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LESSON 2-8 · SESSION 1 · PRACTICE · FORM A

Finding the Mean

Learning target – I can find the mean of a data set by sharing the total equally among the values. · 6.SP.B.5c

REMEMBER

- The **mean** is a fair share: add all the values, then **divide by how many** values there are.
- Count **every** value, even a 0.
- The mean is always between the least and greatest values.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Four friends have 3, 5, 6 and 10 stickers. Find the mean.

Step 1 Add: 3 + 5 + 6 + 10 = 24.

Step 2 Count: there are 4 values.

Step 3 Divide: 24 ÷ 4 = 6. Check: 6 is between 3 and 10.

Answer **6 stickers each**

WORDS **mean** *(media)* · **average** *(promedio)* · **measure of center** *(medida de centro)* · **data set** *(conjunto de datos)*

PRACTICE

show your work · label units

1. Find the mean of each data set.

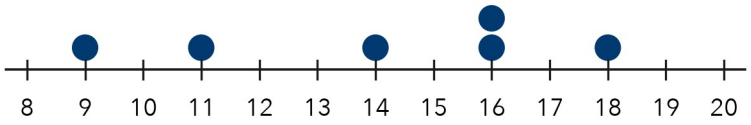
a. 8, 12, 9, 11, 15 _____

b. 7, 4, 9, 6, 9 _____

c. 20, 16, 22, 18, 25, 25 _____

d. 25, 30, 20, 35, 40, 30 _____

2. **Bird Feeder.** The dot plot shows the number of birds that visited a feeder on six mornings.



Visits Each Morning

a. Total visits: _____

b. Mean visits per morning: _____

3. **Seedling Growth.** Five seedlings grew 12, 9, 15, 11 and 13 cm. Find the mean growth.

Hint *Total the growths first, then share the total among 5.*

Show your work.

Answer_____ cm

4. **Repeated Values.** For 10, 10, 10, 40, Bryce says the mean is 10 because most values are 10. Is he right? Find the mean.

Hint *The mean uses every value. Total them all first.*

Show your work.

Mean_____

5. **Sticker Swap.** Four friends have 3, 8, 5 and 12 stickers. They share them evenly. How many does each get?

Hint *Sharing equally means dividing the total by 4.*

Show your work.

Answer_____ stickers

6. **Dog Walking.** Five afternoons of dog walking earned $14, $21, $17, $19 and $24. Find the mean earnings.

Show your work.

Answer_____ dollars

7. **The Zero Day.** A student earned $12, $0, $15, $9 and $14 recycling cans on five days. Nyla says to leave out the $0 day. Is she right? Find the mean.

Hint *Count every day, including the day with $0.*

Show your work.

Answer_____ dollars

8. **Class Fundraiser.** Six students raised $30, $45, $25, $50, $40 and $50.

a. Find the mean amount raised. _____ dollars

b. A seventh student raises $96. Will the mean rise or fall? Find the new mean. _____ dollars

Show your work.

FIND THE ERROR

explain the mistake, then fix it

9. Simone's Work. For 6, 10, 8, 12, Simone added the values and wrote that the mean is 36. Explain her mistake and find the mean.

TEST PRACTICE

choose the best answer

10. Find the mean of 6, 8, 10, 12.

A 9 **B** 36 **C** 10 **D** 4

11. Five values total 85. What is the mean?

A 80 **B** 17 **C** 425 **D** 90

SELF-CHECK CODE

find your answer · copy its letter into that problem's box · spell a math word

40	19	7	70	12.50	12	16.8	17.5	10	14
E	A	R	X	Q	V	Z	E	G	A

#2b	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8a

CHECK YOURSELF ☐ I can do this on my own ☐ I need a little help ☐ I have a question about #___