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#### **Reviewing Averages**

A graph is a good way to represent a set of data since it gives us a picture of all the data. Another way to represent a set of data is to find an **average**. An average is one number that can be used to represent a set of data. There is more than one way to find an average. The **mode** is one kind of average.

- In Lesson 1, you learned that the mode is the most common value in a set of data.
- 4. Find the mode for each set of survey data represented by the graphs in Question 1.
- Professor Peabody returned to Bessie Coleman School to get his pictures and data tables. While he was there, he collected data on the number of pockets the teachers had.
  - A. What is the mode for the data in the table below?
  - B. Does it make sense to say this number of pockets is typical for the teachers? Why or why not?

Teacher	Teachers' Pockets	
Teacher	Number of Pockets	
Mrs. Dewey	1	
Mr. Martinez	6	
Mrs. Lee	0	
Mr. Green	6	
Mrs. Scott	2	
Mrs. Grace	3	
Mrs. Sharma	4	

\*Answers and/or discussion are included in the lesson.

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# Analyzing Data (SG pp. 18–221) Questions 1–9

- **I**.\* Titles will vary.
  - Graph A: Pockets on 31 Students Inside Graph B: Pockets on 15 Students Inside Graph C: Pockets on 15 Students Outside
- 2.\* Descriptions will vary. Possible descriptions include: Since the bars are spread out, Graph A shows students wearing clothes with numbers of pockets ranging from 0 to 12. The bars are different heights with the tallest bars around 4 pockets and the shortest bars at each end. The bars are taller than on Graphs B and C.

The shape of Graph B is similar to the shape of Graph A, but the bars are shorter. No students are wearing clothes with 10 or more pockets. The tallest bar is the bar for 4 pockets.

Graph C has a similar shape, but the bars have moved to the right side of the graph. The tallest bar is the bar for 8 pockets. Most students are wearing clothes with 8 or more pockets while no students are wearing clothes with 0 or 1 pocket.

- 3.\* Notes will vary. Some possible arguments include: Since Graph A has taller bars, it represents more students. It represents 31 students. The remaining two graphs describe the students in the same classroom, one with jackets, the other without. Since jackets usually have pockets, the graph that shows more pockets is the one that is outside. Since the bars on Graph C are to the right of Graph B, Graph C represents more pockets. So, Graph C is titled "Pockets on 15 Students Outside" and Graph B is titled "Pockets of 15 Students Inside."
- **4.** Graph A: 4 pockets; Graph B: 4 pockets; Graph C: 8 pockets
- **5. A.\*** 6 pockets
  - B.\* Answers will vary. Here, the mode is not representative. The data show that 6 is the most number of pockets in the data and only 2 teachers have 6 pockets. It does not represent the center of the data.

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#### Answer Key • Lesson 3: Analyzing Data

- **6.\*** Answers will vary. The median is a better average. It shows that there are some teachers who have less than 3 pockets and some teachers who have more.
- 7.\* 64 inches; Possible response: I made a list of the heights, 60 in., 61 in., 62 in., 66 in., 70 in., 72 in. Since there is an even number of heights, I had to find a height between 62 in. and 66 in. 64 inches is right in the middle, so 64 inches is the median height.

In Lesson 2 you learned about the **median**, another kind of average. You have used the median to average data in labs or other activities. It is the number that is exactly in the middle of the data. For example, to find the median of the number of teachers' pockets, you can list the numbers in order from smallest to largest like this.

Since 3 is exactly in the middle of the data, 3 pockets is the median.

- Which average, the median or the mode, do you think represents the Teachers' Pockets data better? Tell why.
- Professor Peabody found the height of six teachers at Bessie Coleman School. He arranged the data in a table. What is the median height for the six teachers? Explain your strategy for finding the median.

Teacher	Height in Inches	
Mrs. Dewey	66	-
Mr. Martinez	70	1
Mrs. Lee	60	1
Mr. Green	72	1
Mrs. Scott	62	1
Mrs. Sharma	61	1





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- **8. A.**\* See Figure 2 in the Lesson.
  - **B.\*** 4 pockets. Possible response: I looked for the tallest bar.

C.\* Yes

 Small: 11 gems Medium: 18 gems Big Snack: 25 gems

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1	Check In Questions 1.4
Solve	e each problem.
1.	Shannon pitches for her softball team. She has played 10 games. Here is th number of players she struck out in each game: 1, 3, 5, 3, 3, 0, 2, 4, 2, and 2
	A. Find the median number of strikeouts.
	<ul> <li>C. Use the data to predict the number of players that she will strikeout in the next game. Explain how you made your prediction.</li> </ul>
Augus	class gives spelling quizzes with 10 words. Their spelling scores are listed below: Lin: 10, 4, 9, 10, 7 Jacob: 8, 9, 8, 6, 5, 6 Grace: 7, 8, 8, 9, 8, 10 Luis: 8, 8, 8, 8, 8 A. Find the median spelling score for each student. B. Find the mode for each student.
	C. Use the data to decide who is the best speller. Explain how you decided
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## Homework (SG p. 22) Questions 1–4

- **I. A.** \$2.75
  - **B.** Possible response: I made a list of all the dollar amounts: \$2.10, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, and \$3.50. I found that \$2.75 was right in the middle since there were two amounts that were below it and two amounts that were above it.
- **2. A.** 2 hits
  - **B.** Predictions will vary. A good prediction is 2 hits since that is his median number of hits. Any predictions greater than 3 hits would not make sense since Manny has never made that many hits.
- **3. A.** 22 eyelets
  - **B.** Explanations will vary. One possible reponse is to say, "no," since the median value is not an actual value of the number of eyelets on a pair of shoes. On the other hand, the number is in the middle of the data so students could say "yes."

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# Problem Solve with Data (SAB pp. 3–5) Questions 1–4

- **I. A.** 2.5 players
  - **B.** there are two modes, 2 and 3
  - **C.** Answers will vary; however, students should choose either 2 or 3 strikeouts. Possible explanation: I choose 3 strikeouts because the median is 2.5 and 3 is one of the modes. Since 2.5 is between 2 and 3, I rounded it up to 3 for my predication.
- **2. A.** Lin: 9; Jacob: 7; Grace: 8; Luis: 8
  - **B.** Lin: 10; Jacob: 8 and 6; Grace: 8; Luis: 8
  - **C.** Possible responses: I think Lin is the best speller since she has the highest median (9) and the highest mode (10). Or, I think Grace or Luis are the best spellers because they have 8 for both their median and their mode and they are most consistent (Lin has one score of 4).