

Median of a Dataset

Date _____ Period _____

Find the median of each dataset.

1. 11, 3, 2, 8, 3, 8, 4, 4, 7, 2, 9

2. 8, 11, 10, 5, 10, 7

3. 6, 5, 9, 2, 7, 6, 8, 10, 4, 3, 7

4. 6, 9, 8, 3, 10, 2, 8, 2

5. 8, 6, 2, 6, 12, 2

6. 12, 12, 5, 3, 5, 10, 3, 2, 9, 3

7. 10, 9, 6, 2, 4

8. 9, 10, 8, 10, 2, 10, 7, 8, 4

9. 8, 10, 4, 4, 9, 8, 11, 2, 11, 6

10. 7, 10, 4, 6, 11, 4, 12, 5, 8

11. 9, 6, 7, 6

12. 12, 8, 10, 8, 6

median
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Solution Steps

$$^1) 11, 3, 2, 8, 3, 8, 4, 4, 7, 2, 9$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 7, 8, 8, 9 and 11

We can see that 4 is in the middle of the list. There are five numbers less than 4, and five numbers greater than 4.

The median of this set is 4

$$^2) 8, 11, 10, 5, 10, 7$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

5, 7, 8, 10, 10 and 11

To find the median in this situation, take the average (mean) of 8 and 10

$$\frac{8 + 10}{2} = 9$$

The median of the set is 9

$$^3) 6, 5, 9, 2, 7, 6, 8, 10, 4, 3, 7$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9 and 10

We can see that 6 is in the middle of the list. There are five numbers less than 6, and five numbers greater than 6.

The median of this set is 6

$$4) 6, 9, 8, 3, 10, 2, 8, 2$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 2, 3, 6, 8, 8, 9 and 10

To find the median in this situation, take the average (mean) of 6 and 8

$$\frac{6 + 8}{2} = 7$$

The median of the set is 7

$$5) 8, 6, 2, 6, 12, 2$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 2, 6, 6, 8 and 12

To find the median in this situation, take the average (mean) of 6 and 6

$$\frac{6 + 6}{2} = 6$$

The median of the set is 6

$$6) 12, 12, 5, 3, 5, 10, 3, 2, 9, 3$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 3, 3, 3, 5, 5, 9, 10, 12 and 12

To find the median in this situation, take the average (mean) of 5 and 5

$$\frac{5 + 5}{2} = 5$$

The median of the set is 5

$$7) 10, 9, 6, 2, 4$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 4, 6, 9 and 10

We can see that 6 is in the middle of the list. There are two numbers less than 6, and two numbers greater than 6.

The median of this set is 6

$$^8) 9, 10, 8, 10, 2, 10, 7, 8, 4$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 4, 7, 8, 8, 9, 10, 10 and 10

We can see that 8 is in the middle of the list. There are four numbers less than 8, and four numbers greater than 8.

The median of this set is 8

$$^9) 8, 10, 4, 4, 9, 8, 11, 2, 11, 6$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

2, 4, 4, 6, 8, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 11

To find the median in this situation, take the average (mean) of 8 and 8

$$\frac{8 + 8}{2} = 8$$

The median of the set is 8

$$^{10}) 7, 10, 4, 6, 11, 4, 12, 5, 8$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

4, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12

We can see that 7 is in the middle of the list. There are four numbers less than 7, and four numbers greater than 7.

The median of this set is 7

$$^{11}) 9, 6, 7, 6$$

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

6, 6, 7 and 9

To find the median in this situation, take the average (mean) of 6 and 7

$$\frac{6 + 7}{2} = 6.5$$

The median of the set is 6.5

¹²⁾ 12, 8, 10, 8, 6

Right now the numbers are out of order, so it is difficult to tell which number will be in the middle of the list. So first put the numbers in order:

6, 8, 8, 10 and 12

We can see that 8 is in the middle of the list. There are two numbers less than 8, and two numbers greater than 8.

The median of this set is 8