Mathematics

## Median from Frequency tables worksheet

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## Try this

Yasmin asks 15 students in her year how many siblings they have. Here are her results:
How would you find the median?

| Number of <br> Siblings |  | Tally |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |$\quad$ Frequency



## Connect

Two students are discussing how to find the median from this frequency table

| Number of <br> Bottles | Tally | Frequency |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 0 | I |  |
| 1 | II | 1 |
| 2 | I | 2 |
| 3 | II | 1 |
| 4 | II | 2 |
|  |  | 2 |



## Independent task

Which of these frequency tables have the same mode and median?

| Number of <br> Bottles | Frequency | Number <br> of Bottles | Frequency | Number <br> of Bottles | Frequency |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 2 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 10 |
| 1 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 20 |
| 2 | 50 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 20 |
| 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 10 |

## Independent task

Leela asks a sample of her year group how tall they are. Here are her results:
145, 150, 140, 140, 145, 155, 145, 140, 150, 145
Put the following data into a frequency table and find the mode and median.

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Height (cm) Tally Frequency
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## Explore

Antoni has collected the shoe sizes of his class, but has lost some of his results! He has lost 4 pieces of data.

Here are the results that he has so far.
$5.5,5.0,4.5,4.5,5.0,4.0,5.0,5.5,4.0,3.5,5.5$
However he does know that with all the data included, his mode is 4.5 , his median is 5.0 and the highest shoe size is 6.0 .

Fill out what you can of the table already, and find out what the missing 4 pieces of data are

Shoe Size Tally Frequency
3.5
4.0
4.5
5.0
5.5

Answers

## Try this

Yasmin asks 15 students in her year how many siblings they have. Here are her results:

How would you find the median?

| Number of <br> Siblings |  | Tally |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |$\quad$ Frequency

Listing the data could help you find the mean (7).

However you know that if there are 15 pieces of data, there are 7 either side of the median, so the median is the $8^{\text {th }}$ piece of data. You can clearly see from the table that this is 1 .


## Connect

Two students are discussing how to find the median from this frequency table

| Number of <br> Bottles | Tally | Frequency |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 0 | I |  |
| 1 | II | 1 |
| 2 | I | 2 |
| 3 | II | 1 |
| 4 | II | 2 |
|  |  | 2 |

The median must lie between the $4^{\text {th }}$ and $5^{\text {th }}$ piece

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Since there are } 8 \\
& \text { in total, the } \\
& \text { median is the } 4^{\text {th }} \\
& \text { piece of data, } \\
& \text { which is } 2
\end{aligned}
$$



$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\text { No, you } \\
\text { don't take } \\
\text { the } 4^{\text {th }} \text { piece } \\
\text { of data! }
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Independent task

Which of these frequency tables have the same mode and median?

| Number of <br> Bottles | Frequency | Number <br> of Bottles | Frequency | Number <br> of Bottles | Frequency |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 2 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 10 |
| 1 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 20 |
| 2 | 50 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 20 |
| 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 10 |

Mode and median are
both 2

## Mode is O but median is 1

Mode is 1 and 2, median
is 1.5

## Independent task

Leela asks a sample of her year group how tall they are. Here are her results:
145, 150, 140, 140, 145, 155, 145, 140, 150, 145
Put the following data into a frequency table and find the mode and median.

| Height (cm) | Tally | Frequency | Mode and median are both 145 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 140 | III | 3 |  |
| 145 | IIII | 4 |  |
| 150 | II | 2 |  |
| 155 | I | 1 |  |

## Explore

Antoni has collected the shoe sizes of his class, but has lost some of his results! He has lost 4 pieces of data.

Here are the results that he has so far. $5.5,5.0,4.5,4.5,5.0,4.0,5.0,5.5,4.0,3.5,5.5$

However he does know that with all the data included, his mode is 4.5 , his median is 5.0 and the highest shoe size is 6.0.

Fill out what you can of the table already, and find out what the missing 4 pieces of data are
Shoe Size Tally Frequency

| 3.5 | I |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4.0 | II |
| 4.5 | IIII |
| 5.0 | III |
| 5.5 | III |
| 6.0 | II |

The 4 missing pieces of data are 4.5, 4.5, 6.0 and 6.0

