Mathematics

## Comparing Data

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## Connect

Tim is deciding which bus to use to get to school, the 42 or 61 .


He takes a sample of the time it takes (in minutes) for each bus to get to school

42 bus: 20, 22, 20, 21, 23, 20
61 bus: 10, 8, 40, 12, 6, 44

Find the mean and range of each.
Which bus would you recommend he take?

## Independent task

Find the mean, median, mode and range of these cards.


## Explore


Change ONE of the numbers to:

- Make the mode 5
- Make the median 3
- Make the range 4
- Make the mean 5 and keep the range 8

Answers

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42 bus: 20, 22, 20, 21, 23, 20 61 bus: 10, 8, 40, 12, 6, 44

Mean: 21 minutes. Range: 3 minutes
Mean: 20 minutes. Range: 38 minutes

Find the mean and range of each.
Which bus would you recommend he take?
Although the 61 bus has a lower mean (which means on average it is quicker), the 42 bus has a much lower range which means it is more consistent and reliable

## Independent task

Find the mean, median, mode and range of these cards.

| 10 | 11 | 11 | 14 | 15 | 20 | 24 | 55 |
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| (without the 55) | (with the 55) |  |  |
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| Mean | 15 | Mean | 20 |
| Median | 14 | Median | 14.5 |
| Mode | 17 | Mode | 11 |
| Range | 14 | Range | 45 |

## Explore

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Change ONE of the numbers to:

- Make the mode 5 Change a 3 to a 5
- Make the median 3 Change the 4 to a 3
- Make the range 4 Change the 9 to eg a 5
- Make the mean 5 and keep the range 8

Eg Change the 4 to an 8

