MATHEMATICAL VOCABULARY: STATISTICS

Word	What does it mean?	Example	Visual prompt
Average	An average is a number that	Mean: Add all the	ÀN
	shows what is typical for a	numbers together and	
	group of numbers. There are	divide by how many	π π (Φ) Φ (Φ)
	different types of averages.	there are.	'm'' n'm' n'm'' n'm'
	The three most common are	Median: The middle	
	the mean, the median and the	number when the	
	mode. They help describe the	numbers are put in order.	
	data in different ways.	Mode: The number that	
		appears the most often.	
Mean	The mean is the average of a	If the five friends ate sweets like	
	set of numbers. You calculate it	this:	A A A A A A A A A A A A
	by adding up all the numbers in	Alex: 5 sweets	
	the group, then dividing the	Ben: 8 sweets	***
	total by how many numbers	Charlie: 7 sweets	
	there are. The mean helps us	 Daisy: 4 sweets 	
	understand what it would look	Ella: 6 sweets	
	like if the data was "evened	Their mean was 6 sweets . In	=
	out" and everyone had the	other words, if the 30 sweets	for for for for
	same amount.	(total) were shared equally	
		among the five friends, each	

		person would have 6 sweets .								
		The mean is like "balancing" the								
		data so everyone ends up with								
		the same amount.								
Median	The median is the middle value	Seven friends measured how		Н	urs Sper	t on Soci	ial Media)		Ť
	in a data set when all values	much time they spent on social	12			1				-
	are arranged from smallest to	media a day.	8					_		
	largest in order of size.	Alex: 2 hours	6		_			╂	-	- [
		Mia: 3 hours	4 —				т			-
		Leo: 5 hours	0							H
		 Noah: 6 hours 	Ale	x Mia	Leo	Noah	Ava	Ella	Jake	ᆧ
		Ava: 7 hours								
		Ella: 8 hours								
		Jake: 10 hours								
		Once the data has been								
		sorted in order, find the								
		middle value.								
		2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10.								
		Since there are 7 numbers (an								
		odd amount), the middle one is								
		the 4th value.								
		Median = 6 hours.								

		This means that half the friends	
		spent less than 6 hours, and	
		half spent more than 6 hours	
		on social media.	
		If there were an even number	
		of friends, we would take the	
		average of the two middle	
		numbers.	
Mode	The mode is the value that	You record how many times you	
	occurs most often in a data set.	listened to different genres of	
	It is possible to have one	music in a week:	병 병 별 🚣
	mode, several modes or no	Pop: 3 times	3 3 3 =
	modes.	Rock: 5 times	
		Classical: 1 time	
		To find the mode look for the	
		genre that occurs most often:	
		"Pop" appears 3 times , which is	
		more frequent than any other	
		genre. The mode is Pop , as it's	
		the genre listened to the most	
		during the week.	
Range	The spread of values in a data	You and your friends compare	
	set is known as the range . It is	how many hours you spent on	

the difference between the	your phones yesterday. Here	8
smallest and largest values in a	are the numbers:	2
data set.	2, 5, 7, 3, 6, 4, 8	ğ
	To find the range:	
	Find the highest number \rightarrow The	
	biggest number is 8.	
	Find the lowest number \rightarrow The	
	smallest number is 2.	
	Subtract the smallest from the	
	biggest →	
	8-2=6	
	So, the range is 6 hours.	