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Calculating statistics

- a** The number of ice creams sold over a period of 13 weeks is as follows:

146	151	158	158	161	149	160	147	158	160	216	225	238
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Write down the mode, and use technology to find the mean and median for this data set.

- b** Two dice are thrown 100 times and their total score is recorded in the table:

Score	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Frequency	21	9	8	4	7	20	13	9	6	2	1

Write down the mode, and use technology to find the mean and median for this data set.

- c** The weights, w kg, of 50 cats are recorded in the table:

Weight (kg)	Frequency
$2 \leq w \leq 3$	5
$3 \leq w \leq 4$	19
$4 \leq w \leq 5$	17
$5 \leq w \leq 6$	5
$6 \leq w \leq 7$	3
$7 \leq w \leq 8$	1

Find an approximation for the median and mean, and write down the modal class.

Press **[stat]** 1:Edit and press **[enter]**

Type the numbers 146, 151, 158, 158, etc. in the first column.

Press **[enter]** or **[↓]** after each number to move to the next cell.

Note: If the list contains other numbers, you can clear it by pressing **[stat]** 4:ClrList and press **[enter]**. The home screen displays ClrList. Press **[2nd]** **[1]** **[L1]** and press **[enter]**. Press **[stat]** 1:Edit and press **[enter]** to return to the table.

L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	1
146					
151					
158					
158					
161					
149					
160					
147					
158					
160					
216					

L1(11)= 216

To find the mean and median

Press **[stat]** and **[↓]** to access the CALC menu.

Select 1:1-Var Stats and press **[enter]**.

Leave FreqList empty.

Navigate to Calculate and press **[enter]**.

1-Var Stats
List:L1
FreqList:
Calculate

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The GDC displays a list of statistics for the data.
The mode is 158, although the GDC does not show this.
The mean, \bar{x} , is 171.3.

```

1-Var Stats
 $\bar{x}$ =171.3076923
 $\Sigma x$ =2227
 $\Sigma x^2$ =393865
 $S_x$ =32.09720812
 $\sigma_x$ =30.83800007
n=13
minX=146
↓Q1=150
  
```

Scroll down to see the median using \downarrow .
The median is 158.

```

1-Var Stats
↑ $S_x$ =32.09720812
 $\sigma_x$ =30.83800007
n=13
minX=146
Q1=150
Med=158
Q3=188.5
maxX=238
  
```

Press \square 1:Edit and press \square
Navigate up to the top of the first column. Press \square \square .
This will clear the contents of the list L₁. Take care not to press \square as this will delete the list, not its contents.
Type the numbers 2, 3, 4, 5, etc. in the first column.
Press \square or \downarrow after each number to move to the next cell.

L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	1
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					
11					
12					

L1(11)= 12

Press \rightarrow to move to the next column.
Enter the frequencies of each of the ages in the second column.

L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	2
2	21				
3	9				
4	8				
5	4				
6	7				
7	20				
8	13				
9	9				
10	6				
11	2				
12	1				

L2(11)= 1

To find the mean and median
Press \square and \rightarrow to access the CALC menu.
Select 1:1-Var Stats and press \square .
Enter L₂ as the FreqList by pressing \square \square [L2].
Navigate to Calculate and press \square .

```

1-Var Stats
List:L1
FreqList:L2
Calculate
  
```

The GDC displays a list of statistics for the data.
The mode is 2, although the GDC does not show this.
The mean, \bar{x} , is 5.82.

```

1-Var Stats
 $\bar{x}$ =5.82
 $\Sigma x$ =582
 $\Sigma x^2$ =4172
 $S_x$ =2.815469532
 $\sigma_x$ =2.801356814
n=100
minX=2
↓Q1=3
  
```

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Scroll down to see the median using ▼.

The median is 7.

```

1-Var Stats
↑Sx=2.815469532
σx=2.801356814
n=100
minX=2
Q1=3
Med=7
Q3=8
maxX=12
    
```

Press **[stat]** 1:Edit and press **[enter]**

Navigate up to the top of the first and second columns. Press **[clear]** **[enter]**. This will clear the contents of lists L₁ and L₂. Take care not to press **[del]** as this will delete the lists, not their contents.

Enter the midpoints of the groups: 2.5, 3.5, etc. in the first column.

Press **[enter]** or ▼ after each number to move to the next cell.

L ₁	L ₂	L ₃	L ₄	L ₅	1
2.5					
3.5					
4.5					
5.5					
6.5					
7.5					

L1(?)=

Press **[▶]** to move to the next column.

Enter the frequencies of each of the ages in the second column.

L ₁	L ₂	L ₃	L ₄	L ₅	2
2.5	5				
3.5	19				
4.5	17				
5.5	5				
6.5	3				
7.5	1				

L2(?)=

The Modal class = $3 \leq w < 4$.

To find the mean and median

Press **[stat]** and **[▶]** to access the CALC menu.

Select 1:1-Var Stats and press **[enter]**.

Enter L₂ as the FreqList by pressing **[2nd]** **[2]** **[L2]**.

Navigate to Calculate and press **[enter]**.

```

1-Var Stats
List:L1
FreqList:L2
Calculate
    
```

The GDC displays a list of statistics for the data.

Approximation for the mean = 4.2 kg.

```

1-Var Stats
x̄=4.2
Σx=210
Σx²=942.5
Sx=1.111167799
σx=1.1
n=50
minX=2.5
↓Q1=3.5
    
```

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Scroll down to see the median using ▼.

Approximation for the median = 4.5 kg.

```
1-Var Stats
↑Sx=1.111167799
σx=1.1
n=50
minX=2.5
Q1=3.5
Med=4.5
Q3=4.5
maxX=7.5
```