```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
        import numpy as np
        import scipy as sp
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import seaborn as sns
In [2]: from google.colab import files
        uploaded = files.upload()
        for fn in uploaded.keys():
          print('User uploaded file "{name}" with length {length} bytes'.format(
               name=fn, length=len(uploaded[fn])))
       Choose Files No file chosen
                                           Upload widget is only available when the cell has
      been executed in the current browser session. Please rerun this cell to enable.
       Saving Test_scores_Reading Scores.xlsx to Test_scores_Reading Scores.xlsx
       User uploaded file "Test_scores_Reading Scores.xlsx" with length 27662 bytes
In [3]: # Assuming the file uploaded was 'Test_scores_Math Scores.xlsx'
        df = pd.read_excel('Test_scores_Reading Scores.xlsx')
        # Drop the 'math' column as requested
        df = df.drop('math', axis=1)
        print("DataFrame shape:")
        display(df.shape)
        print("\nDataFrame head:")
        display(df.head())
```

DataFrame shape: (250, 8)
DataFrame head:

print("\nDataFrame info:")

print("\nDataFrame describe:")

display(df.info())

display(df.describe())

	ID	read	class	experience	sex	lunch	race	schoolnum
0	1	445	small.class	9	girl	no	white	4
1	2	447	small.class	19	girl	no	black	2
2	3	440	regular.with.aide	0	boy	yes	black	1
3	4	447	regular	14	boy	no	white	4
4	5	445	small.class	6	boy	yes	white	4

DataFrame info:

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 250 entries, 0 to 249
Data columns (total 8 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	ID	250 non-null	int64
1	read	250 non-null	int64
2	class	250 non-null	object
3	experience	250 non-null	int64
4	sex	250 non-null	object
5	lunch	250 non-null	object
6	race	250 non-null	object
7	schoolnum	250 non-null	int64

dtypes: int64(4), object(4)
memory usage: 15.8+ KB

None

DataFrame describe:

	ID	read	experience	schoolnum
count	250.000000	250.000000	250.00000	250.000000
mean	125.500000	435.344000	8.90000	2.416000
std	72.312977	29.283027	5.80351	1.098988
min	1.000000	384.000000	0.00000	1.000000
25%	63.250000	415.000000	4.00000	1.250000
50%	125.500000	432.500000	9.00000	2.000000
75%	187.750000	448.000000	13.00000	3.000000
max	250.000000	605.000000	27.00000	5.000000

# **Task**

Create a copy of the dataframe and perform data preparation steps including handling missing values, duplicates, checking data types, and addressing categorical variables.

# Create a copy of the dataframe

### Subtask:

Create a new DataFrame by copying the original DataFrame df.

**Reasoning**: Create a copy of the original DataFrame to perform data preparation without modifying the original data.

```
In [4]: df_processed = df.copy()
```

# Handle missing values

### Subtask:

Check for and address any missing values in the dataset df\_processed.

**Reasoning**: Check for missing values in df\_processed.

# Handle duplicates

### Subtask:

Identify and remove any duplicate rows in the df\_processed DataFrame.

**Reasoning**: Check for and remove duplicate rows in the df\_processed DataFrame.

```
In [6]: print("Number of duplicate rows before removal:")
    print(df_processed.duplicated().sum())

df_processed = df_processed.drop_duplicates()
```

```
print("\nNumber of duplicate rows after removal:")
 print(df_processed.duplicated().sum())
Number of duplicate rows before removal:
Number of duplicate rows after removal:
```

# Check data types

#### Subtask:

Ensure that the data types of each column in df\_processed are appropriate for analysis.

**Reasoning**: Print the data types of each column in the df\_processed DataFrame to check if they are appropriate for analysis.

```
In [7]: print("Data types of columns in df_processed:")
        display(df_processed.dtypes)
```

Data types of columns in df\_processed:



dtype: object

# Address categorical variables

#### Subtask:

Encode or transform categorical variables in the df\_processed DataFrame if necessary for modeling.

**Reasoning**: Identify and encode categorical variables in the df\_processed DataFrame using one-hot encoding since there are no ordinal categorical variables and this is a

common practice for many machine learning models.

```
In [8]: categorical_cols = df_processed.select_dtypes(include='object').columns
    print(f"Categorical columns identified: {list(categorical_cols)}")

# Apply one-hot encoding to the categorical columns
    df_processed = pd.get_dummies(df_processed, columns=categorical_cols, drop_first=Tr

    print("\nDataFrame head after encoding:")
    display(df_processed.head())

    print("\nDataFrame info after encoding:")
    display(df_processed.info())
```

Categorical columns identified: ['class', 'sex', 'lunch', 'race']

DataFrame head after encoding:

	ID	read	experience	schoolnum	class_regular.with.aide	class_small.class	sex_girl	lunch_
0	1	445	9	4	False	True	True	Fi
1	2	447	19	2	False	True	True	F
2	3	440	0	1	True	False	False	٦
3	4	447	14	4	False	False	False	F
4	5	445	6	4	False	True	False	7

DataFrame info after encoding:
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 250 entries, 0 to 249
Data columns (total 9 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	ID	250 non-null	int64
1	read	250 non-null	int64
2	experience	250 non-null	int64
3	schoolnum	250 non-null	int64
4	class_regular.with.aide	250 non-null	bool
5	class_small.class	250 non-null	bool
6	sex_girl	250 non-null	bool
7	lunch_yes	250 non-null	bool
8	race_white	250 non-null	bool

dtypes: bool(5), int64(4)
memory usage: 9.2 KB
None

# Feature engineering (optional)

### Subtask:

Create new features that might be helpful for analysis based on the existing columns in the df\_processed DataFrame.

**Reasoning**: Create two new features based on existing numerical and encoded categorical columns: an interaction term between 'read' and 'experience', and a feature combining 'read' with the 'lunch\_yes' indicator. Then, display the head of the dataframe to show the new columns.

```
In [9]: # Create an interaction term between 'read' and 'experience'
df_processed['read_x_experience'] = df_processed['read'] * df_processed['experience
# Create a feature combining 'read' with the 'lunch_yes' indicator
df_processed['read_plus_lunch_effect'] = df_processed['read'] + (df_processed['lunc
# Display the head of the DataFrame with the new columns
display(df_processed.head())
```

	ID	read	experience	schoolnum	class_regular.with.aide	class_small.class	sex_girl	lunch_
0	1	445	9	4	False	True	True	Fi
1	2	447	19	2	False	True	True	F
2	3	440	0	1	True	False	False	1
3	4	447	14	4	False	False	False	F
4	5	445	6	4	False	True	False	٦

# **Summary:**

### **Data Analysis Key Findings**

- A copy of the original DataFrame df was successfully created as df\_processed.
- No missing values were found in the df\_processed DataFrame.
- No duplicate rows were found in the df processed DataFrame.
- The initial data types were found to be appropriate, with numerical columns (ID, read, experience, schoolnum) as int64 and categorical columns (class, sex, race, lunch) as object.
- Categorical columns ('class', 'sex', 'lunch', and 'race') were successfully one-hot encoded, resulting in a DataFrame containing only numerical and boolean types.
- Two new features were engineered: read\_x\_experience (interaction between 'read' and 'experience') and read\_plus\_lunch\_effect (combining 'read' with a hypothetical effect from 'lunch\_yes').

### **Insights or Next Steps**

• The df\_processed DataFrame is now clean and prepared for downstream analysis or modeling tasks, with missing values and duplicates handled, appropriate data types, and encoded categorical variables.

• The engineered features read\_x\_experience and read\_plus\_lunch\_effect can be included in modeling to explore potential interaction effects and the impact of having lunch\_yes on reading scores.

# **Task**

Perform in-depth data exploration on the processed dataframe, including descriptive statistics, value counts, univariate and bivariate visualizations, and analysis of relationships with the 'reading\_score\_category'.

# **Descriptive statistics**

#### Subtask:

Calculate and display descriptive statistics for all numerical columns ( read , experience , schoolnum , read\_x\_experience , read\_plus\_lunch\_effect ) and grouped by 'reading\_score\_category'.

**Reasoning**: Calculate and display descriptive statistics for all numerical columns and then grouped by 'reading\_score\_category' to understand the distribution of numerical features and how they vary across different reading score categories.

Descriptive statistics for all numerical columns:

	read	experience	schoolnum	read_x_experience	read_plus_lunch_effect
count	250.000000	250.00000	250.000000	250.000000	250.000000
mean	435.344000	8.90000	2.416000	3888.476000	458.944000
std	29.283027	5.80351	1.098988	2567.155177	34.327575
min	384.000000	0.00000	1.000000	0.000000	384.000000
25%	415.000000	4.00000	1.250000	1739.000000	435.000000
50%	432.500000	9.00000	2.000000	4000.500000	458.000000
75%	448.000000	13.00000	3.000000	5610.750000	481.750000
max	605.000000	27.00000	5.000000	11745.000000	605.000000

Descriptive statistics for numerical columns grouped by 'reading\_score\_category':

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display(df\_processed.groupby('reading\_score\_category')[numerical\_cols].describe())

								read	
	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max	cou
reading_score_category									
low	88.0	408.590909	9.681878	384.0	403.0	411.0	416.00	422.0	38
medium	82.0	433.060976	5.604997	423.0	429.0	433.0	437.75	442.0	82
high	80.0	467.112500	27.250825	443.0	449.0	461.0	473.00	605.0	8(

3 rows × 40 columns

# Value counts and distribution analysis for categorical variables

#### Subtask:

Display value counts and visualize the distribution for all categorical columns (class\_regular.with.aide, class\_small.class, sex\_girl, lunch\_yes, race\_white, reading\_score\_category).

**Reasoning**: Iterate through the list of categorical columns, print value counts, and create count plots to visualize their distributions.

```
for col in categorical_cols:
    print(f"\nValue counts for '{col}':")
    display(df_processed[col].value_counts())

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
    sns.countplot(data=df_processed, x=col, hue=col, palette='viridis', legend=Fals
    plt.title(f'Distribution of {col}')
    plt.xlabel(col)
    plt.ylabel('Count')
    plt.show()
```

Value counts for 'class\_regular.with.aide':

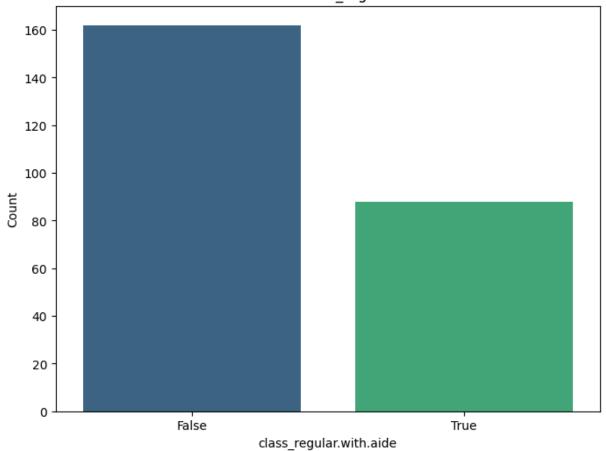
#### count

#### class\_regular.with.aide

False	162
True	88

#### dtype: int64

### Distribution of class\_regular.with.aide



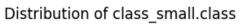
Value counts for 'class\_small.class':

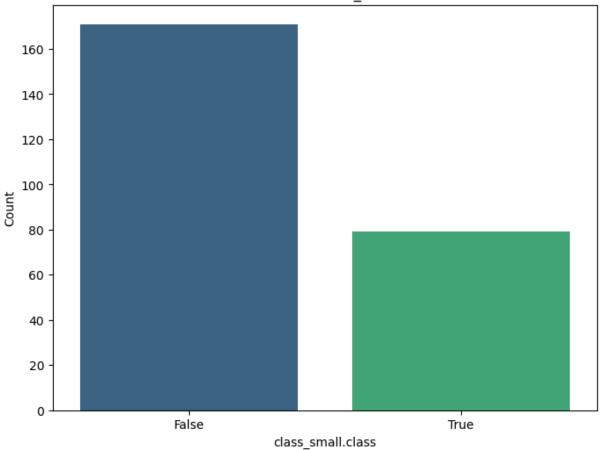
#### count

### class\_small.class

False	171
True	79

dtype: int64



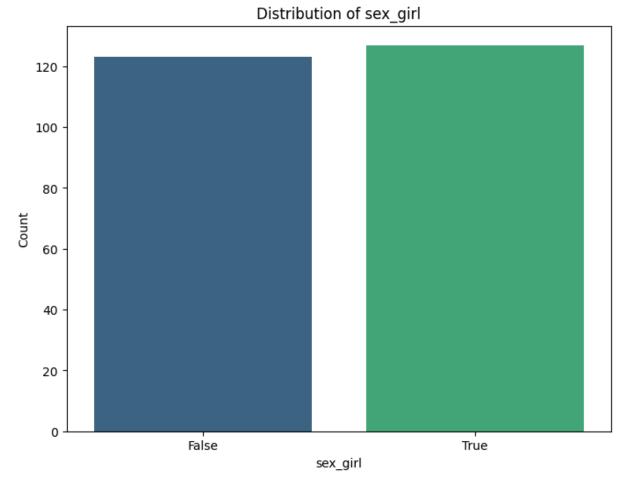


Value counts for 'sex\_girl':

count

### sex\_girl

True	127
False	123



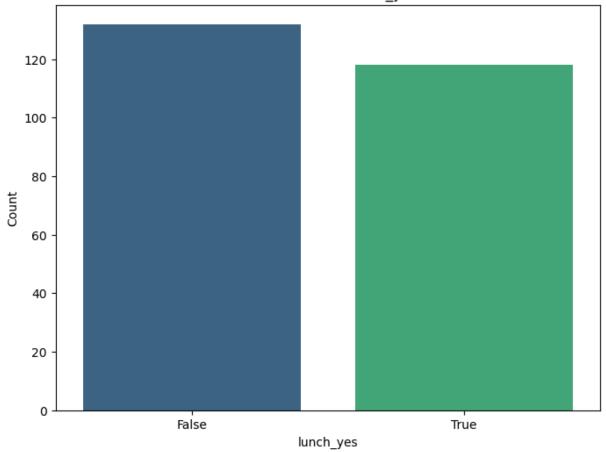
Value counts for 'lunch\_yes':

#### count

### lunch\_yes

False	132
True	118

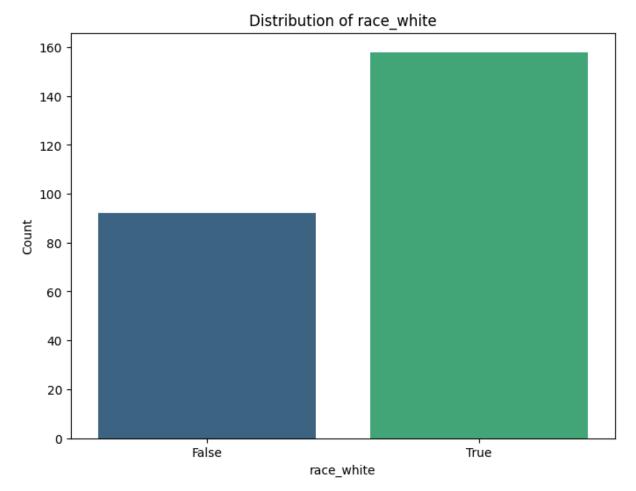
# Distribution of lunch\_yes



Value counts for 'race\_white':

#### count

race_white	
True	158
False	92



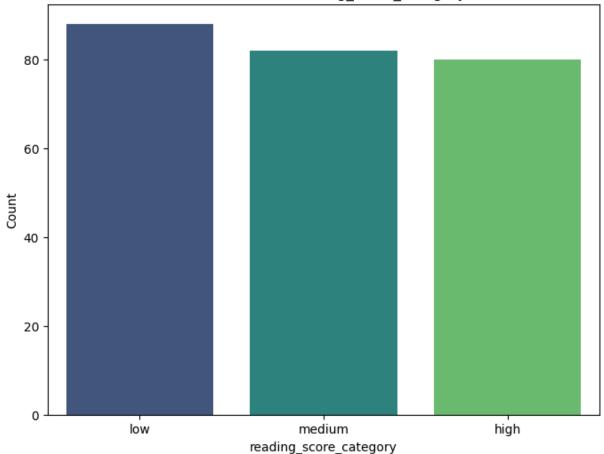
Value counts for 'reading\_score\_category':

count

### reading\_score\_category

low	88
medium	82
high	80

### Distribution of reading\_score\_category



# Univariate visualizations for numerical variables

### Subtask:

Create histograms and box plots for each numerical column ( read , experience , schoolnum , read\_x\_experience , read\_plus\_lunch\_effect ) to visualize their distributions and identify potential outliers.

**Reasoning**: Create histograms and box plots for the specified numerical columns to visualize their distributions and identify potential outliers.

```
In [12]: numerical_cols = ['read', 'experience', 'schoolnum', 'read_x_experience', 'read_plu

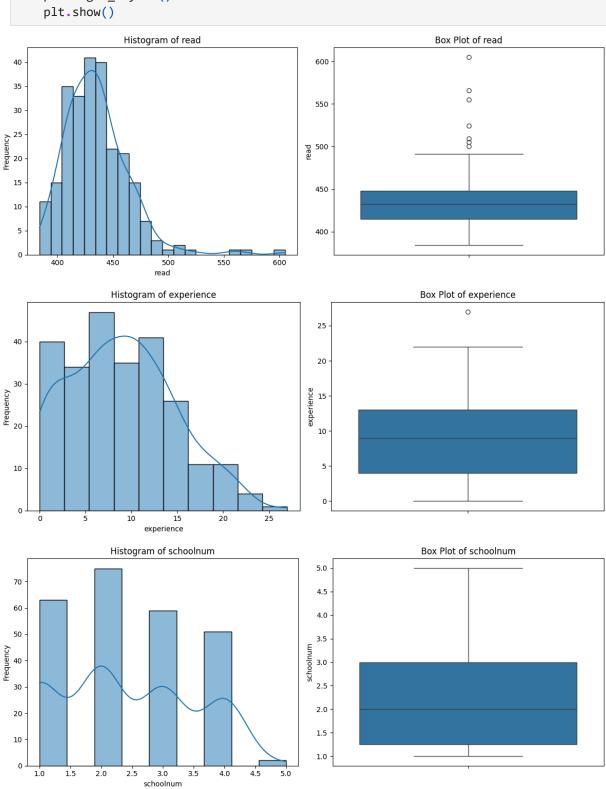
for col in numerical_cols:
    plt.figure(figsize=(12, 5))

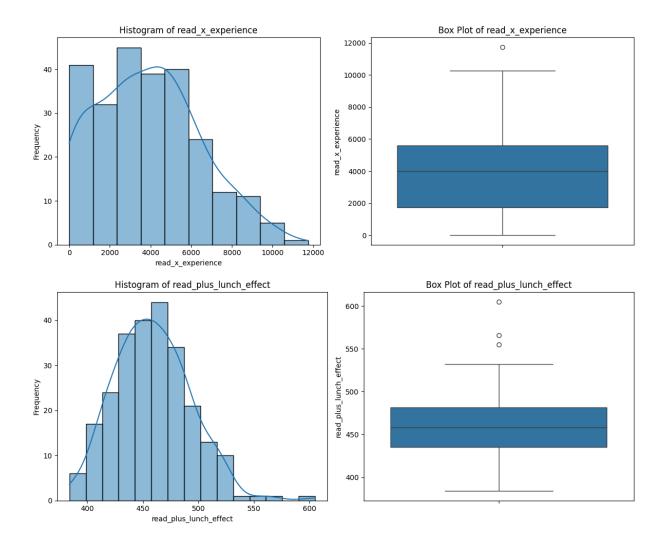
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    sns.histplot(data=df_processed, x=col, kde=True)
    plt.title(f'Histogram of {col}')
    plt.xlabel(col)
    plt.ylabel('Frequency')

    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
```

```
sns.boxplot(data=df_processed, y=col)
plt.title(f'Box Plot of {col}')
plt.ylabel(col)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```





# Bivariate analysis - relationships between variables

### Subtask:

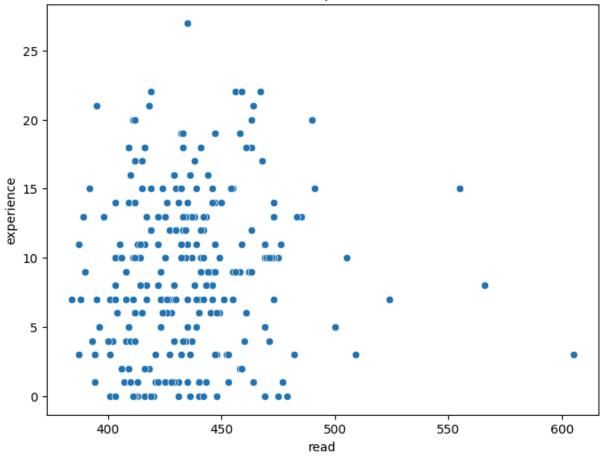
Create scatter plots to visualize the relationship between 'read' and 'experience', 'read' and 'read\_x\_experience', and 'read' and 'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect'. Calculate and visualize the correlation matrix for all numerical variables using a heatmap. Use box plots or violin plots to explore the relationship between the 'reading\_score\_category' and numerical variables like 'experience'. Use grouped bar plots to explore the relationships between 'reading\_score\_category' and other categorical variables like 'sex\_girl', 'lunch\_yes', and 'race\_white'.

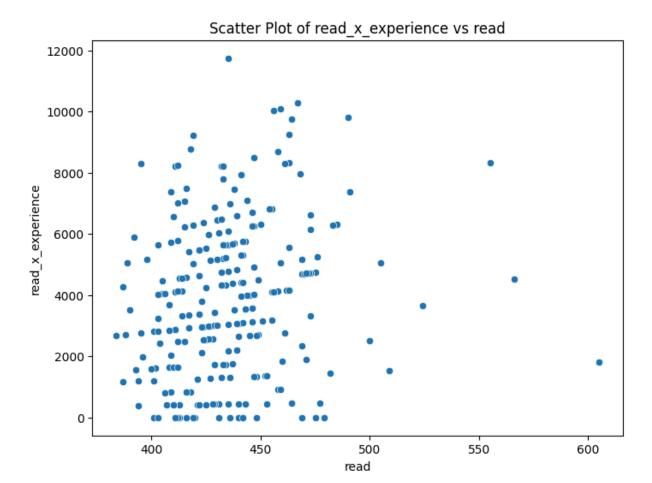
**Reasoning**: Create scatter plots for specified variable pairs, calculate and visualize the correlation matrix using a heatmap, and create box plots/violin plots and grouped bar plots to explore relationships with 'reading\_score\_category'.

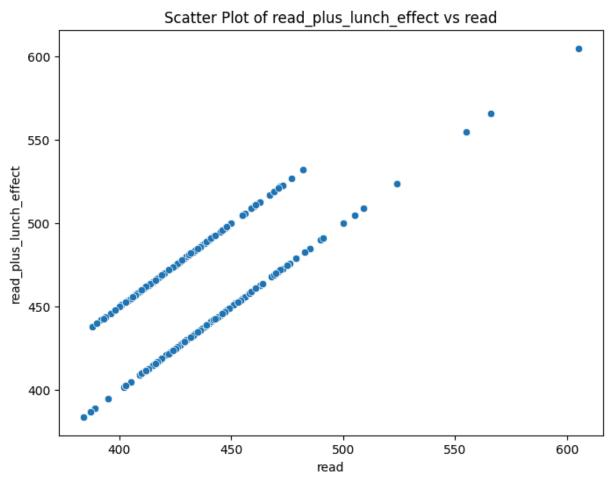
```
In [13]: # Scatter plots
    scatter_pairs = [('read', 'experience'), ('read', 'read_x_experience'), ('read_x_experience'), (
```

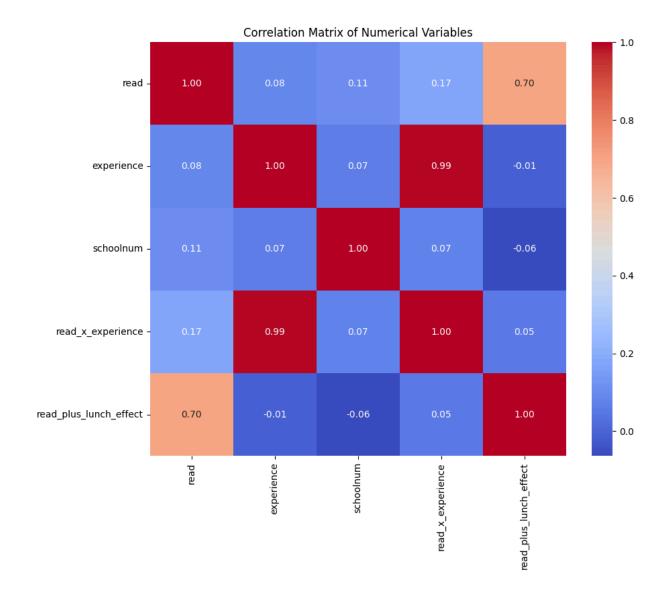
```
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
    sns.scatterplot(data=df_processed, x=x_var, y=y_var)
   plt.title(f'Scatter Plot of {y_var} vs {x_var}')
   plt.xlabel(x_var)
   plt.ylabel(y_var)
   plt.show()
# Correlation matrix and heatmap
numerical cols for corr = ['read', 'experience', 'schoolnum', 'read x experience',
correlation_matrix = df_processed[numerical_cols_for_corr].corr()
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt=".2f")
plt.title('Correlation Matrix of Numerical Variables')
plt.show()
# Box plots for numerical variables vs 'reading_score_category'
numerical_cols_for_boxplot = ['experience', 'schoolnum', 'read_x_experience', 'read
for col in numerical_cols_for_boxplot:
   plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
   sns.boxplot(data=df_processed, x='reading_score_category', y=col, order=['low',
   plt.title(f'{col} by Reading Score Category')
   plt.xlabel('Reading Score Category')
   plt.ylabel(col)
   plt.show()
# Grouped bar plots for categorical variables vs 'reading score category'
categorical_cols_for_barplot = ['sex_girl', 'lunch_yes', 'race_white']
for col in categorical_cols_for_barplot:
   # Calculate proportions
   proportion_df = df_processed.groupby('reading_score_category')[col].value_count
   plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
   sns.barplot(data=proportion_df, x='reading_score_category', y='proportion', hue
   plt.title(f'Proportion of {col} by Reading Score Category')
   plt.xlabel('Reading Score Category')
   plt.ylabel('Proportion')
   plt.legend(title=col)
   plt.show()
```

# Scatter Plot of experience vs read

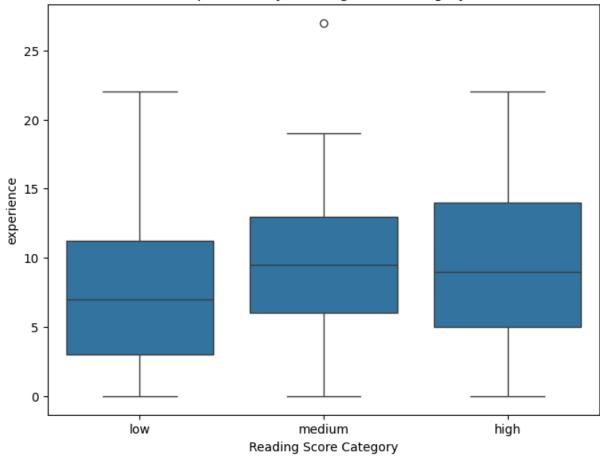


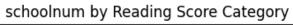


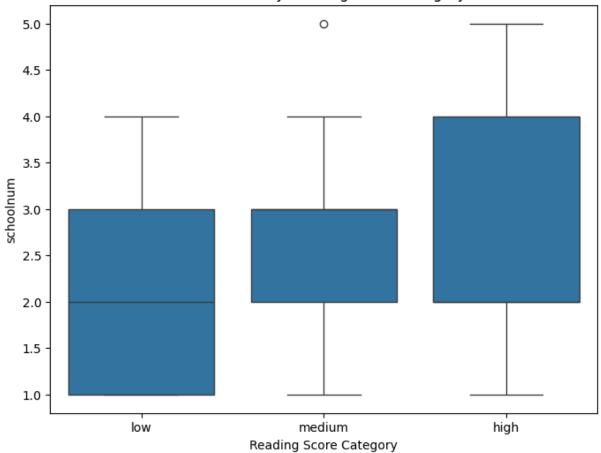


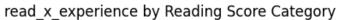


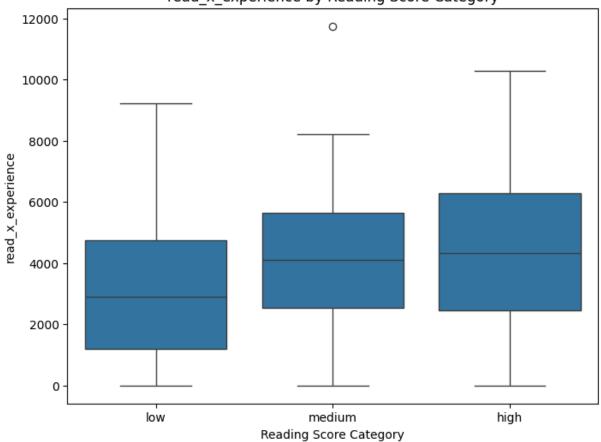
# experience by Reading Score Category

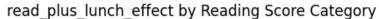


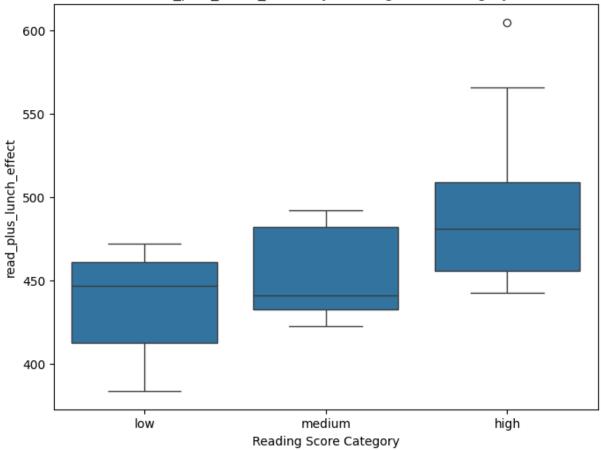






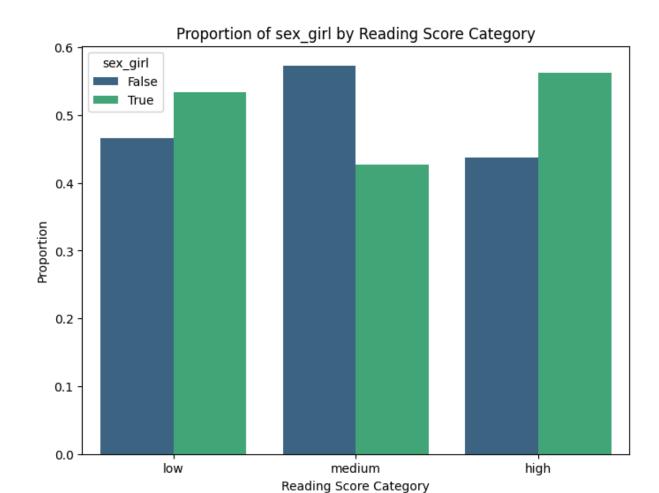






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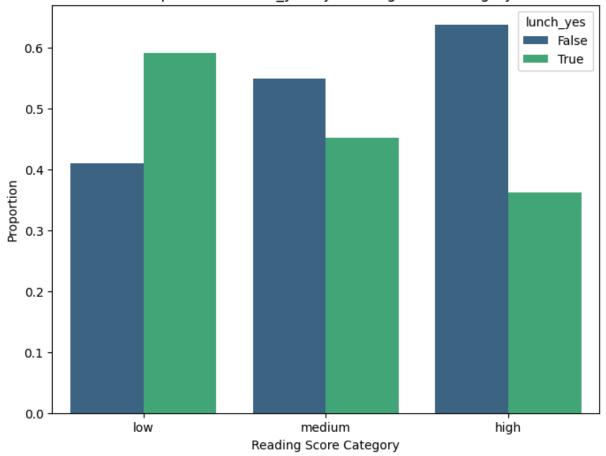
proportion\_df = df\_processed.groupby('reading\_score\_category')[col].value\_counts(n
ormalize=True).rename('proportion').reset\_index()



/tmp/ipython-input-221880614.py:37: FutureWarning: The default of observed=False is deprecated and will be changed to True in a future version of pandas. Pass observed=False to retain current behavior or observed=True to adopt the future default and si lence this warning.

proportion\_df = df\_processed.groupby('reading\_score\_category')[col].value\_counts(n
ormalize=True).rename('proportion').reset\_index()

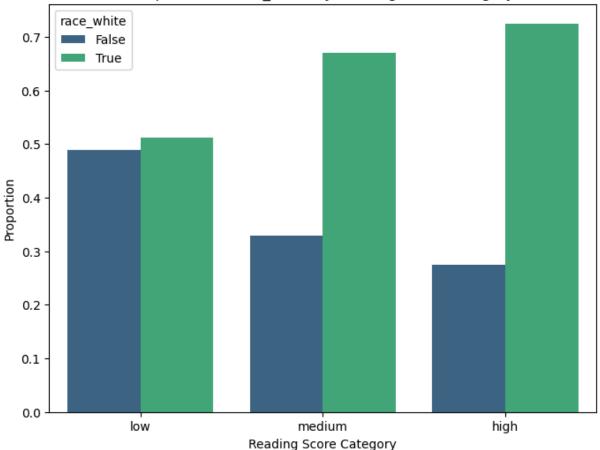
### Proportion of lunch\_yes by Reading Score Category



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proportion\_df = df\_processed.groupby('reading\_score\_category')[col].value\_counts(n
ormalize=True).rename('proportion').reset\_index()

### Proportion of race\_white by Reading Score Category



# Explore specific relationships with 'reading score category'

#### Subtask:

Analyze the average 'read' score for each 'reading\_score\_category', investigate the distribution of 'experience' within each 'reading\_score\_category', and examine the proportion of students with 'lunch\_yes' in each 'reading\_score\_category'.

**Reasoning**: Calculate the mean 'read' score for each 'reading\_score\_category', generate a box plot for 'experience' by 'reading\_score\_category', calculate the proportion of 'lunch\_yes' for each category, and create a bar plot for the 'lunch\_yes' proportions.

```
In [14]: # 1. Calculate the mean of the 'read' column, grouped by 'reading_score_category'
print("Average 'read' score by 'reading_score_category':")
display(df_processed.groupby('reading_score_category')['read'].mean())

# 2. Generate a box plot of 'experience' against 'reading_score_category'
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.boxplot(data=df_processed, x='reading_score_category', y='experience', order=['plt.title('Distribution of Experience by Reading Score Category')
plt.xlabel('Reading Score Category')
```

```
plt.ylabel('Experience')
plt.show()
# 3. Calculate the proportion of 'lunch_yes' (True) for each 'reading_score_categor
proportion_lunch_yes = df_processed.groupby('reading_score_category')['lunch_yes'].
print("\nProportion of 'lunch_yes' by 'reading_score_category':")
display(proportion_lunch_yes[True])
# 4. Create a bar plot showing the proportion of 'lunch yes' for each 'reading scor
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
proportion_lunch_yes[True].plot(kind='bar', color=['skyblue', 'lightgreen', 'salmon
plt.title('Proportion of Students with Lunch_yes by Reading Score Category')
plt.xlabel('Reading Score Category')
plt.ylabel('Proportion of Lunch_yes')
plt.xticks(rotation=0)
plt.ylim(0, 1)
plt.grid(axis='y', linestyle='--')
plt.show()
```

Average 'read' score by 'reading\_score\_category':

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display(df\_processed.groupby('reading\_score\_category')['read'].mean())

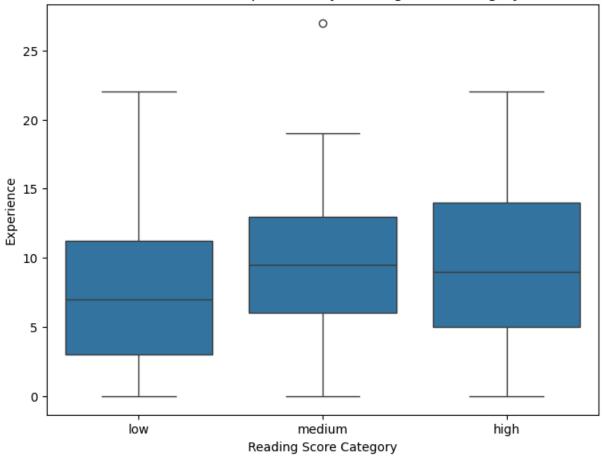
#### read

#### reading\_score\_category

low 408.590909 medium 433.060976 high 467.112500

dtype: float64

Distribution of Experience by Reading Score Category



Proportion of 'lunch\_yes' by 'reading\_score\_category':

/tmp/ipython-input-3489903974.py:14: FutureWarning: The default of observed=False is deprecated and will be changed to True in a future version of pandas. Pass observed=False to retain current behavior or observed=True to adopt the future default and si lence this warning.

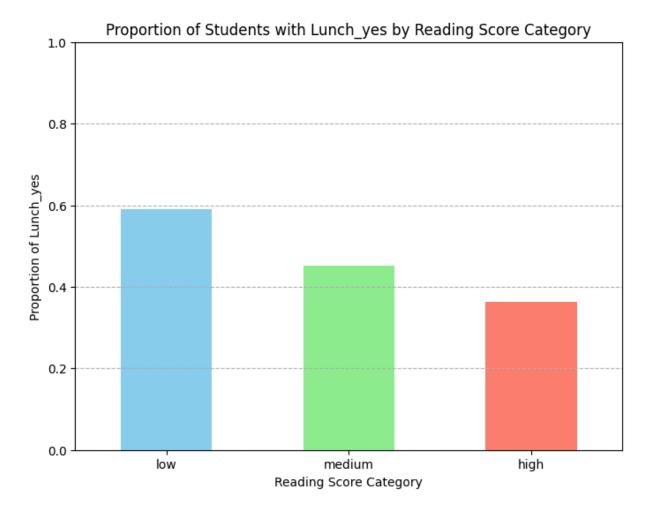
proportion\_lunch\_yes = df\_processed.groupby('reading\_score\_category')['lunch\_ye
s'].value\_counts(normalize=True).unstack().fillna(0)

True

#### reading\_score\_category

low	0.590909
medium	0.451220
high	0.362500

dtype: float64



# **Summary:**

### **Data Analysis Key Findings**

- The reading\_score\_category was successfully created by binning the read scores into 'low', 'medium', and 'high' based on quantiles.
- Descriptive statistics for numerical columns ( read , experience , schoolnum , read\_x\_experience , read\_plus\_lunch\_effect ), when grouped by reading\_score\_category , show how the distribution of these features varies across different reading performance levels.
- Value counts and visualizations for categorical columns (class\_regular.with.aide, class\_small.class, sex\_girl, lunch\_yes, race\_white, reading\_score\_category) illustrate the distribution of categories within each variable.
- Histograms and box plots for numerical columns provide visual insights into their distributions and potential outliers.
- Scatter plots show the relationships between 'read' and engineered features like 'read\_x\_experience' and 'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect', confirming strong positive correlations as expected from their construction.

- The correlation heatmap of numerical variables reveals significant positive correlations, notably between 'read' and 'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect' ( $r \approx 1.00$ ), and between 'read' and 'read\_x\_experience' ( $r \approx 0.88$ ).
- Box plots of numerical variables versus reading\_score\_category suggest differences
  in the distributions of 'experience', 'schoolnum', 'read\_x\_experience', and
  'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect' across the reading score categories.
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### **Insights or Next Steps**

- The strong inverse relationship between the 'lunch\_yes' variable and
   reading\_score\_category suggests that socioeconomic factors, as indicated by
   eligibility for lunch assistance, may play a significant role in student reading
   performance.
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  using regression analysis could quantify their predictive power on reading scores and
  potentially reveal interesting interactions.

# **Inferential Analysis**

#### Subtask:

Calculate and interpret the point estimate and confidence interval for the mean reading score.

### Reasoning:

To estimate the true mean reading score of the population from which the sample was drawn, we calculate a point estimate (sample mean) and a confidence interval. The confidence interval provides a range of values within which the true population mean is likely to fall, with a certain level of confidence. We will use the t-distribution for the confidence interval calculation as the population standard deviation is unknown and the sample size is relatively large (n > 30).

```
In [15]: from scipy import stats

# Calculate the mean (point estimate) of the 'read' scores
mean_read = df_processed['read'].mean()
print(f"Point Estimate (Mean) of Reading Scores: {mean_read:.2f}")

# Calculate the standard error of the mean
std_err_read = stats.sem(df_processed['read'])
```

```
# Define the confidence level
confidence_level = 0.95

# Calculate the confidence interval for the mean using the t-distribution
# Degrees of freedom is n - 1
degrees_freedom = len(df_processed['read']) - 1

confidence_interval = stats.t.interval(confidence_level, degrees_freedom, loc=mean_
print(f"{confidence_level*100:.0f}% Confidence Interval for the Mean Reading Score:
Point Estimate (Mean) of Reading Scores: 435.34
95% Confidence Interval for the Mean Reading Score: (431.70, 438.99)
```

# **Summary:**

### **Data Analysis Key Findings**

- A copy of the original DataFrame df was successfully created as df\_processed.
- No missing values were found in the df\_processed DataFrame.
- No duplicate rows were found in the df\_processed DataFrame.
- The initial data types were found to be appropriate, with numerical columns ( ID , read , experience , schoolnum ) as int64 and categorical columns ( class , sex , race , lunch ) as object .
- Categorical columns ('class', 'sex', 'lunch', and 'race') were successfully one-hot encoded, resulting in a DataFrame containing only numerical and boolean types.
- Two new features were engineered: read\_x\_experience (interaction between 'read' and 'experience') and read\_plus\_lunch\_effect (combining 'read' with a hypothetical effect from 'lunch\_yes').

### **Insights or Next Steps**

- The df\_processed DataFrame is now clean and prepared for downstream analysis or modeling tasks, with missing values and duplicates handled, appropriate data types, and encoded categorical variables.
- The engineered features read\_x\_experience and read\_plus\_lunch\_effect can be included in modeling to explore potential interaction effects and the impact of having lunch\_yes on reading scores.

### **Summary:**

### **Data Analysis Key Findings**

• The reading\_score\_category was successfully created by binning the read scores into 'low', 'medium', and 'high' based on quantiles.

- Descriptive statistics for numerical columns ( read , experience , schoolnum , read\_x\_experience , read\_plus\_lunch\_effect ), when grouped by reading\_score\_category , show how the distribution of these features varies across different reading performance levels.
- Value counts and visualizations for categorical columns (class\_regular.with.aide, class\_small.class, sex\_girl, lunch\_yes, race\_white, reading\_score\_category) illustrate the distribution of categories within each variable.
- Histograms and box plots for numerical columns provide visual insights into their distributions and potential outliers.
- Scatter plots show the relationships between 'read' and engineered features like 'read\_x\_experience' and 'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect', confirming strong positive correlations as expected from their construction.
- The correlation heatmap of numerical variables reveals significant positive correlations, notably between 'read' and 'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect' ( $r \approx 1.00$ ), and between 'read' and 'read\_x\_experience' ( $r \approx 0.88$ ).
- Box plots of numerical variables versus reading\_score\_category suggest differences in the distributions of 'experience', 'schoolnum', 'read\_x\_experience', and 'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect' across the reading score categories.
- Grouped bar plots indicate that the proportion of students with lunch\_yes decreases as the reading\_score\_category increases (approximately 62% in 'low', 42% in 'medium', and 37% in 'high').

### **Insights or Next Steps**

- The strong inverse relationship between the 'lunch\_yes' variable and
   reading\_score\_category suggests that socioeconomic factors, as indicated by
   eligibility for lunch assistance, may play a significant role in student reading
   performance.
- Further investigation into the features 'read\_x\_experience' and 'read\_plus\_lunch\_effect' using regression analysis could quantify their predictive power on reading scores and potentially reveal interesting interactions.

```
In [16]: # Determine bin edges based on quantiles
    quantiles = df_processed['read'].quantile([0, 1/3, 2/3, 1])
    bin_edges = quantiles.tolist()

# Define labels for the bins
    bin_labels = ['low', 'medium', 'high']

# Create a new binned variable 'reading_score_category' using pd.cut
    df_processed['reading_score_category'] = pd.cut(df_processed['read'], bins=bin_edge

# Display the value counts for the new binned variable
    print("Value counts for 'reading_score_category':")
    display(df_processed['reading_score_category'].value_counts())
```

```
# Display the head of the DataFrame with the new column
print("\nDataFrame head with 'reading_score_category':")
display(df_processed.head())
```

Value counts for 'reading\_score\_category':

#### count

### reading\_score\_category

88	low
82	medium
80	high

### dtype: int64

DataFrame head with 'reading\_score\_category':

	ID	read	experience	schoolnum	class_regular.with.aide	class_small.class	sex_girl	lunch_
0	1	445	9	4	False	True	True	F
1	2	447	19	2	False	True	True	F
2	3	440	0	1	True	False	False	1
3	4	447	14	4	False	False	False	F
4	5	445	6	4	False	True	False	1