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Question 1

We take a random sample of individuals in a population and identify whether they smoke and if they have cancer. We observe that there is a strong relationship between whether a person in the sample smoked or not and whether they have lung cancer. We claim that the smoking is related to lung cancer in the larger population. We explain we think that the reason for this relationship is because cigarette smoke contains known carcinogens such as arsenic and benzene, which make cells in the lungs become cancerous.

	Score	Explanation
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Question 2

What is the most important thing in Data Science?

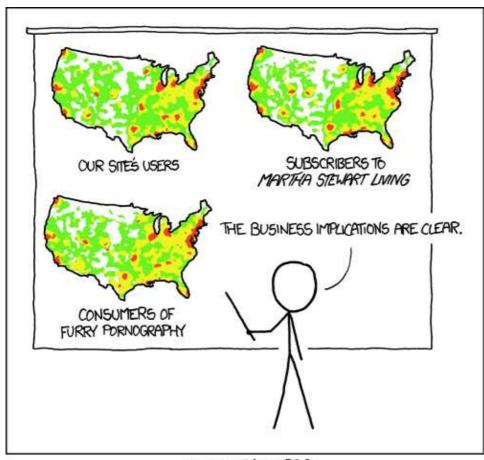
Your Answer		Score	Explanation
Statistical inference.			
The data.			
The question you are trying to answer.	~	4.00	

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Question 3

If the goal of a study was to relate Martha Stewart Living Subscribers to Our Site's Users based on the number of people that lived in each region of the US, what would be the potential problem?



PET PEEVE #208: GEOGRAPHIC PROFILE MAPS WHICH ARE BASICALLY JUST POPULATION MAPS

Link to image

Source: http://xkcd.com/1138/

Your Answer		Score	Explanation
There would be confounding because the number of people that live in an area is related to both Martha Stewart Living Subscribers and Our Site's Users.	~	4.00	

•We would be data dredging because we collected data on thousands of places in the United States.

We couldn't be sure whether subscribi	ng to Martha Steward
iving causes people to be Users of Ou	r Site or the other way
round.	
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Question 4

What is an experimental design tool that can be used to address variables that may be confounders at the design phase of an experiment?

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Question 5

What is the reason behind the explosion of interest in big data?

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
We recently discovered ways to use data to answer scientific and business questions.		
We have better experimental design now than previously.		
Technologies like Hadoop and Map Reduce started the big data era.		
The price and difficulty of collecting and storing data has dramatically dropped.	✓ 4.00	

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