- 1. (1 point) List the author, title, and publication company and year of an alternative statistics book that you can use this semester as a complement to your other resources.
- 2. (1 point) List a book or website or other resource that you can consult for help with R.
- 3. (1 point) I am asking you to find a dataset that you want to work with this semester. This dataset might be part of an existing published research or be a dataset that you downloaded from an organization (i.e. the World Bank or Pew). Briefly describe the dataset and where you found it.
- 4. Let  $A = \{1,5,10\}$  and  $B = \{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10\}$ 
  - (a) (1 point) Is  $A \subset B$ ,  $B \subset A$ , both, or neither.
  - (b) (1 point) What is  $A \cup B$ ?
  - (c) (1 point) What is  $A \cap B$ ?
  - (d) (1 point) Partition B into two sets, A and everything else. Call this everything else C. Define C.
  - (e) (1 point) What is  $A \cup C$ ?
  - (f) (1 point) What is  $A \cap C$ ?
- 5. Solve the following problems:
  - (a) (1 point)  $x^1 = ?$
  - (b) (1 point)  $\sum_{x=1}^{4} x = ?$
  - (c) (1 point) 4!
  - (d) (2 points) Solve for x: 15x + 45 6x = 36
- 6. Suppose you have a survey sample of 432 Democrats and 312 Republicans.
  - (a) (1 point) What is the ratio of Republicans to Democrats
  - (b) (1 point) What is the proportion of Republicans?
  - (c) (1 point) What is the percentage of Republicans?
- 7. Simplify the following equations:
  - (a) (1 point) xz + yz
  - (b) (1 point) mn + ln + pn
  - (c) (1 point) z \* y \* x 2 \* y \* x
  - (d) (1 point)  $(z+x)*y*\frac{1}{z}$
  - (e) (2 points)  $(b*b*b)*c^{-3}$

- (f) (2 points) Write as one term ln(3x) 2ln(x+2)
- (g) (3 points) Rewrite the following after taking the log of both sides of the question

$$y = a * x_1^{B_1} * \frac{x_2^{B_2}}{x_3^{B_3}}$$

- (h) (1 point) Is the equation from your last answer a linear function?
- 8. In class we went over the OLS example of women in government and military spending. For this homework, I included part of the dataset (military\_women.dta) that is associated with that analysis. From that dataset answer the following questions:
  - (a) (1 point) What is the unit of observation?
  - (b) (1 point) What is the temporal scope of the analysis
  - (c) (1 point) What are the cases being analyzed
- 9. In the military\_women.dta dataset there are three main variables: Military Spending, Women Executive Leaders, and the Women in Legislatures (%). I would like you to provide some descriptive information.
  - (a) (2 points) For each variable, tell me if they are continuous (or ratio), interval, ordinal, or categorical.
  - (b) (2 points) For each variable, provide some indicator of the typical observation.
  - (c) (2 points) For each variable, provide some indicator of dispersion.
  - (d) (2 points) For one of the variables, construct of graph that provide some descriptive information.
- 10. Below are some OLS results for the following empirical model:

Military Spending = 
$$\alpha + \beta_1$$
Female Leader +  $\beta_2$ Women in Legislatures +  $\epsilon$  (1)

- (a) (2 points) Identify the dependent and independent variables in this analysis.
- (b) (3 points) Interpret the results for each independent variable.
- (c) (3 points) Why might someone be suspicious of any *causal* empirical claims inferred from the OLS results below?

Table 1: OLS Model Examining Military Spending

	(1)
Female Leader	0.2718*
	(0.101)
Women in Legisl. (%)	-0.0569*
	(0.007)
Constant	3.3136*
	(0.137)

 $R^2 = 0.12; *p < 0.05$ 

Standard Errors in Parentheses