

# PS2010 Workshop Code Book

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# Preface

This is the PS2010 Psychological Research Methods and Analysis Workshop Codebook.

## 0.1 About this Code Book

This code book contains information, exercises, and code for the PS2010 workshop sessions.

This resource is a work in progress, and we're continually updating and improving it.

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# Chapter 1

## Workshop 1: Data Handling Skills

### Aims:

- Practice importing a .csv data file into RStudio using `read_csv()`
- Practice inspecting your data in RStudio.
- Use different data wrangling functions to develop your data handling skills.
- Check basic summary statistics.

### 1.1 Exercise 1: Import the Data

#### Import the Data File `guess_who.csv`

Before you begin, you will need the tidyverse package loaded.

```
install.packages("tidyverse") #install tidyverse if you do not have it.  
library(tidyverse) #loads tidyverse.
```

Next import the data file and store it as an object called `dataset`.

```
dataset <- read_csv("guess_who.csv")
```

If you see an error saying cannot find function `read_csv()` this usually means you have not loaded (or installed) the tidyverse package.

## 1.2 Exercise 2: Inspect and Check Your Data

Take a look at your newly imported data file

Check the top right panel (the environment) and also use the code below to inspect your data set.

```
view(dataset) # this will open the data in a new tab.  
names(dataset) # this will show the variable names.
```

It is really important to look at the variable names as you'll be using them in code later on.

Answer Question 2.1 - 2.2 on your worksheet.

## 1.3 Exercise 3: Change a Variable Name

One of the variable names is quite long. This can be annoying if we have to keep typing it out

Change the variable name `do_you_own_a_pet` to `pet`. The `rename()` function will let you rename a variable.

```
dataset <- dataset %>%  
  rename(pet = do_you_own_a_pet)
```

Check it has worked:

```
names(dataset) # ask for the variable names again
```

## 1.4 Exercise 4: Remove a Variable

We do not really care about the `age` variable for the next few exercises.

Let's remove it.

The code below will create a new object (once we start removing things, it is best to keep the original data file called `dataset` in the environment)

```
mydata <- dataset %>%  
  select(-age)
```

This code will:

- Create a new object called `mydata`.
- Take our original data called `dataset`
- “And then” `%>%`
- Use the `select()` function to remove `age` by placing a minus symbol `-` in front of it.

From now on, we will use the object called `mydata` and not the original data set.

## 1.5 Exercise 5: Filter Cases

**We can select particular cases in our data set**

For example, I could ask: how many people were from the city of Birmingham using the code below:

```
mydata %>%
  filter(city == "birmingham") %>%
  count()
```

Check the console (bottom left panel) for the answer.

This code will:

- Take `mydata` and then...
- Filter it by the `city` variable.
- We use a double equals symbol `==` to specify an exact match.
- I’ve added “birmingham” in speech marks. Note it is lowercase as to match the data set and then...
- `count()` the number of data points.

Adapt the code above to answer question 5.1 on the worksheet.

## 1.6 Exercise 6: Guess Who?

**We can filter based on multiple criteria.**

The code below will show us someone who is from Brighton, has a dog, and does not drink coffee.

```
mydata %>%  
  filter(city == "brighton", pet == "dog", coffee == 0)
```

We can also use less than/more than symbols to filter data, For example, this will show all people who have a art enjoyment score of less than 20:

```
mydata %>%  
  filter(maths < 20)
```

Use what you have learned above and adapt your code to play GUESS WHO? and complete questions 6.1-6.2 on the worksheet.

## 1.7 Exercise 7: Create a New Variable

**Sometimes we might want to compute new scores or variables**

Add up the three enjoyment scores for `maths`, `science`, and `art` to create an overall score called `total_score`.

```
mydata <- mydata %>%  
  mutate(total_score = maths + science + art)
```

This code will:

- Take `mydata` to overwrite it (ready to add the new variable) and then...
- Use the `mutate()` function to create a new variable named `total_score` which should equal `maths + science + art`.

View the data set and look for the new column to see it has worked.

```
view(mydata)
```

Now, we can look at who had the highest and lowest total enjoyment score.

`slice_min` will find the row which has the lowest score:

```
mydata %>%  
  slice_min(total_score)
```

`slice_max` will find the row which has the highest score:



```
mydata %>%  
  slice_max(total_score)
```

Answer questions 7.1-7.2 on the worksheet.

## 1.8 Exercise 8: Counting and Removing Missing Data

### Real data sets often are missing data points

Different people have differing views on how to treat missing data points. For today, we will just identify and remove any. If you view the data, you might notice there are some blanks for **degree** as not everyone is studying for one.

```
sum(is.na(mydata$degree))
```

This code will:

- Calculate the total number using `sum()` of...
- Any missing data points (R calls these `is.na`)
- We can then direct to a particular column using `mydata$degree`. This essentially means “look in `mydata` and then the column called `degree`. We use the dollar sign `$` to specify the column.

If we want to remove them, we can use `filter()` again!

```
mydata <- mydata %>%  
  filter(!is.na(degree))
```

Note: this will overwrite `mydata` and remove the cases.

Answer question 8.1 on the worksheet.

## 1.9 Exercise 9: Summary Statistics

**We might want to know What was the average enjoyment score?**

We can use this code to look across the data set as a whole:

```
summary(mydata)
```

Look through the output in the console (bottom left panel) and answer questions 9.1-9.3 on the worksheet.

## 1.10 Exercise 10: Fixing Luke's Broken Code

Help!! My code below just is not working. I need your help to get it working.

Fix the code below to work out how many coffees were drunk by the person from canterbury and is studying medicine. Try running the code first and then work out why it doesn't work!

```
mydata %>%  
  filter(city = "canterberry", degree == medicine)
```

Fix the code below to work out the name of the person who is from London, has a hamster, and did not drink coffee. Try running the code first and then work out why it doesn't work!

```
mydata =  
  filter(city == "London", pet == "hamsta", coffee >1)
```

Answer questions 10.1-10.2 on the worksheet.

If you get stuck, use the hints below.

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- Check for spelling errors: there are two of them.
- Make sure to use double equals when specifying a label ==.
- Use quote marks when necessary. Some are missing.
- Code is case sensitive. There is a capital letter where there shouldn't be one.
- Use symbols correctly. We want to use the pipe %>% before we filter.
- Use symbols correctly. More than > is not the same as <.

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**Well Done. You have reached the end of the workshop.**

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## Chapter 2

# Workshop 2: Summarising and Describing Data

### Aims:

- Practice importing a .csv data file into RStudio using `read_csv()`
- Practice inspecting your data in RStudio.
- Calculate mean and standard deviation using the `group_by()` and `summarise()` functions.
- Visually inspect data using plots and describe data distributions.

## 2.1 Exercise 1: Import the Data

### Import the Data File: `sleep.csv`

Before you begin, you will need the tidyverse package loaded.

```
install.packages("tidyverse") #install tidyverse if you do not have it.  
library(tidyverse) #loads tidyverse.
```

Next import the data file and store it as an object called `dataset`.

```
dataset <- read_csv("sleep.csv")
```

If you see an error saying cannot find function `read_csv()` this usually means you have not loaded (or installed) the tidyverse package.

## 2.2 Exercise 2: Inspect and Check Your Data

Take a look at your newly imported data file

Check the top right panel (the environment) and also use the code below to inspect your data set.

```
view(dataset) # this will open the data in a new tab.  
names(dataset) # this will show the variable names.
```

It is really important to look at the variable names as you'll be using them in code later on.

## 2.3 Exercise 3: Calculate the Total Sleep Score

Sometimes we might want to compute new scores or variables

Add up the two sleep scores `sleep_quality` and `drowsy` scores to create an overall score called `total_sleep`.

```
mydata <- dataset %>%  
  mutate(total_sleep = scale_1 + scale_2)
```

This code will:

- Create an object called `mydata` before using the original `dataset` and then...
- Use the `mutate()` function to create a new variable named `total_sleep` which should equal `scale_1 + scale_2`.

View the data set and look for the new column to see it has worked.

```
view(mydata)
```

Answer questions 3.1-3.2 on the worksheet.

## 2.4 Exercise 4: Calculate Descriptive Statistics

Just as shown in the lecture, use the code below to calculate the mean and standard deviation for `total_sleep`. Remember, we want to use the total score calculated in exercise 3, and not to use the two subscales.

```
desc <- mydata %>%  
  group_by(NULL) %>%  
  summarise(m_sleep = mean(NULL),  
            sd_sleep = sd(NULL))
```

You will need to change NULL to match your data set. Try and give this a go on your own first, but if you aren't sure look below for help.

Think about:

- What is the name of the variable you will split the data file by (e.g., what is the grouping variable/independent variable called in the data set)
- What is the name of the score that you want to find the mean and standard deviation for (e.g., what is the dependent variable called in the data set)

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```
desc <- mydata %>%  
  group_by(energy_drink) %>%  
  summarise(m_sleep = mean(total_sleep),  
            sd_sleep = sd(total_sleep))
```

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If you look in the environment (top right panel) you will see a new object called **desc**. This is where your descriptive statistics are stored. I called it **desc** but you can call it anything you like. It is best to keep object names short and informative. We can now view that object using the **view()** function.

```
view(desc)
```

Answer questions 4.1-4.2 on the worksheet.

## 2.5 Exercise 5: Explore Data with Plots

Generate a box plot:

```
ggplot(mydata, aes(x = energy_drink, y = total_sleep)) +  
  geom_boxplot(width = .4)
```

Generate histograms:

```
ggplot(mydata, aes(x = total_sleep, fill = energy_drink)) +  
  geom_histogram(colour = "black") +  
  facet_wrap(~ energy_drink)
```

Generate density plots:

```
ggplot(mydata, aes(x = total_sleep, fill = energy_drink)) +  
  geom_density(alpha = .5) +  
  facet_wrap(~ energy_drink)
```

Answer questions 5.1-5.2 in the worksheet.

## 2.6 Exercise 6: What Does `facet_wrap()` do?

Re-run the density plot code, except this time delete the final line. This will show what `facet_wrap()` does. What do you notice about the plot now?

Use this code without `facet_wrap()`.

```
ggplot(mydata, aes(x = total_sleep, fill = energy_drink)) +  
  geom_density(alpha = .5)
```

Answer question 6.1 on the worksheet.

## 2.7 Exercise 7: Save Your Amended Data File

**\*\***Your current data file has the `total_sleep` column in. You need to save it so you can use it for next week's workshop. You can overwrite your original .csv file using this code, which will save today's data set.

```
write.csv(mydata, "sleep.csv")
```

This means the `sleep.csv` on your computer will be updated and ready to use next week! Make sure you know where it has saved on your computer before you leave.

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**Well Done. You have reached the end of the workshop.**

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## Chapter 3

# Workshop 3: $t$ -Tests

### Aims:

- Practice running and interpreting a two-sample  $t$ -test in RStudio.
- Practice running and interpreting a paired  $t$ -test in RStudio.

### 3.1 Part One

Part one of today's workshop will involve running a two-sample  $t$ -test, which is appropriate for an independent measures design with **two** groups.

You should use the same data file from last week, as you will be aiming to answer “What impact does energy drink consumption (if any) have on sleep quality?”

You must have completed the week 2 workshop before starting this one.

### 3.2 Exercise 1: Import the Data

#### Import the Data File: sleep.csv

Before you begin, you will need the tidyverse package loaded.

```
install.packages("tidyverse") #install if needed.  
install.packages("rstatix")  #install if needed.  
install.packages("car")      #install if needed.  
library(tidyverse)           #load package.  
library(rstatix)             #load package.  
library(car)                 #load package.
```

Then import the data file. Make sure it has the `total_sleep` score that you calculated last week.

```
mydata <- read_csv("sleep.csv")
```

### 3.3 Exercise 2: Inspect and Check Your Data

#### Take a look at your newly imported data file

Check the top right panel (the environment) and also use the code below to inspect your data set.

```
view(mydata) # this will open the data in a new tab.  
names(mydata) # this will show the variable names.
```

It is really important to look at the variable names as you'll be using them in code later on.

### 3.4 Exercise 3: Check Assumptions

#### 3.4.1 Check Heteroscedasticity with Levene's Test

Use Levene's test to check for homogeneity of variance.

```
leveneTest(DV ~ IV, data = DATA)
```

- Change DV to the name of your dependent variable.
- Change IV to the name of your independent (grouping) variable.
- Change DATA to the name of your data.

Run the code and interpret the output:

If the p-value is significant ( $<.05$ ) then the variances differ across the two groups and the assumption has been violated, which could be an issue. If the p-value is *not* significant ( $>.05$ ) then the variances are roughly equal.

Write up as follows:

$$F(df) = XX.XX, p = .XXX$$

Enter the degrees of freedom in place of `df`, the  $F$  value, and the  $p$ -value. Remember use  $p < .001$  if the p-value is smaller than 0.001.

Here is an example where degrees of freedom is 36,  $F$  is 3.25, and  $p$  is .065:

$$F(36) = 3.25, p = .065$$

### 3.4.2 Check Normality with Shapiro-Wilk Test and Histograms

We need to check normality for both groups separately. We can filter the groups:

```
#first create a data set that contains energy drink consumers only.
yes <- mydata %>%
  filter(energy_drink == "yes")

#then run the test
shapiro.test(yes$total_sleep)

#then create a data set that contains non-consumers only.
no <- mydata %>%
  filter(energy_drink == "no")

#then run the test
shapiro.test(no$total_sleep)
```

We use a dollar sign \$ to point R to a particular column. For example, when using `shapiro.test(yes$total_sleep)` you are saying to run the Shapiro Test on the `yes` data set column called `total_sleep`

Again, we want the  $p$ -values to be not significant. A non-significant  $p$ -value means the data are roughly normally distributed. If the  $p$ -value is significant, this could be an issue as it indicates the data are not normally distributed.

When reporting the Shapiro-Wilk test, you just need to report the test statistics ( $w = XX$ ) and the  $p$ -value. Here is an example what it could look like:

$$W = 0.98, p = .875$$

You can also visually check the data with a quick histogram:

```
hist(yes$total_sleep)
hist(no$total_sleep)
```

Check the plots panel, and use the blue arrow to switch between the two plots.

### 3.4.3 A Note on Assumptions

Assessing assumptions can be a little tricky. For a two-sample  $t$ -test we will run something called Welch's  $t$ -test which can cope with violations of assumptions.

You might ask what is the point of checking them. One reason is because it is helpful to report the characteristics (heteroscedasticity and normality) of your data.

## 3.5 Exercise 4: Run the Two-Sample $t$ -Test and ask for Cohen's $d$

Run the  $t$ -test.

```
t.test(total_sleep ~ energy_drink, data = mydata, var.equal = FALSE, alternative = "two.sided")
```

Ask for Cohen's  $d$ :

```
cohens_d(data = mydata, total_sleep ~ energy_drink, var.equal = FALSE)
```

Interpret your  $t$ -test. - Is it significant? - What is the effect size? - If significant, how do the groups differ?

For the final question, you will need descriptive statistics. Hint: use the code from last week to find the mean and standard deviation for the two groups.

## 3.6 Part Two

Part two of today's workshop will involve running a paired  $t$ -test, which is appropriate for a repeated measures design with **two** conditions.

Here we have a sleep intervention study. A group of participants completed the sleep quality questionnaire **before** completing an intervention which aimed to improve sleep. Afterwards, participants completed the sleep questionnaire again.

The independent variable is time point: before, after. The dependent variable is sleep quality score (0-100).

### 3.7 Exercise 5: Import the Data

We will call the object `int` (short for intervention data)

```
int <- read_csv("sleep_intervention.csv")
```

### 3.8 Exercise 6: Inspect and Check Your Data

Take a look at your newly imported data file

Check the top right panel (the environment) and also use the code below to inspect your data set.

```
view(int) # this will open the data in a new tab.  
names(int) # this will show the variable names.
```

### 3.9 Exercise 7: Check Assumptions

This time we only have to check normality, as heteroscedasticity does not apply to repeated measures designs. However, we need to ensure the difference score is normally distributed.

```
diff <- int$after - int$before #this will calculate the difference score.  
shapiro.test(diff) # run the Shapiro test  
hist(diff) # also visually inspect data
```

You should interpret and report this in the same way as earlier (exercise 3).

### 3.10 Exercise 8: Run the Paired *t*-Test and ask for Cohen's *d*

A paired *t*-test is a little different compared to the two-sample *t*-test.

```
t.test(NULL1, NULL2, paired = TRUE)
```

- Change `NULL1` to the column with the first condition.
- Change `NULL2` to the column with the second condition.

(Hint: you will need to use the dollar sign \$ to specify which column)

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```
t.test(int$before, int$after, paired = TRUE)
```

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Annoyingly, we need to use a different package for Cohen's d for a paired t-test.

```
install.packages("effectsize") #install if needed.  
library(effectsize)  
effectsize::cohens_d(int$before, int$after, paired = TRUE)
```

### 3.11 Exercise 9: Calculate Descriptive Statistics

The final thing to do is to convert the data from wide format to long format. Often with repeated measures when asking for descriptive statistics or plots, we need the data in long format.

```
longd <- int %>%  
  gather(time, score, before:after)
```

Code explanation:

- Create a new object called `longd` where we will store the long data.
- Base it on the original data set called `int` and then `%>%`
- `gather()`
- The first argument is the name of your independent variable. I have called it `time` The second argument is the name of your dependent variable. I have called it `sleep`.
- `before:after` will then take all and any columns from `before` through to `after` and re-arrange them into long data format.

Once you have created the new long data set called `long` we can use it to calculate descriptive statistics. But first check it to see the difference.

```
view(longd)
names(longd)
```

Now adapt the code below to ask for the mean and standard deviation.

```
desc <- longd %>%
  group_by(NULL) %>%
  summarise(mean_sleep = mean(NULL)
            sd_sleep = sd(NULL))
```

Change NULL1 to the name of the independent variable in the `long` data file, and NULL2 to the dependent variable. Use `names(long)` if you need a reminder.

Make note of the mean and standard deviation for the **before** and **after** conditions.

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**Well Done. You have reached the end of the workshop.**

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