



Exercise 14G

Question 7:

The ten observations in ascending order:

10, 13, 15, 18, $x+1$, $x+3$, 30, 32, 35, 41

Here, $n = 10$, which is even

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{median} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{n}{2} \right) \text{th term} + \left(\frac{n}{2} + 1 \right) \text{th term} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [(5\text{th term} + 6\text{th term})] [\because n = 10] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (x + 1 + x + 3) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (2x + 4) \\ &= x + 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{median} = x + 2$$

But median = 24 (given)

$$\therefore x + 2 = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 24 - 2$$

$$\therefore x = 22$$

Question 8:

Let us now prepare the cumulative frequency table.

Weight (in kg)	No. of students	Cumulative frequency
45	8	8
46	5	13
48	6	19
50	9	28
52	7	35
54	4	39
55	2	41

Total $n = 41$, which is odd

$$\begin{aligned}\text{median weight} &= \left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)\text{th term} \\ &= \left(\frac{41+1}{2}\right)\text{th term} \\ &= \text{value of 21st term}\end{aligned}$$

\therefore median weight = weight of the 21st student

But the above table shows that each one of the students from 20th to 28th has 50 kg as his weight.

\therefore the weight of the 21st student will be 50kg.

Hence median weight = 50 kg.

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