The basics (OK, I have some data. What now?)

Sort

Largest to smallest; Alphabetical etc

Filter

Select a defined subset of the data

Aggregate

Count, Sum, Mean, Median, Maximum, Minimum etc

-Join

Merge entries from two or more datasets based on common field(s), e.g. unique ID number, last name and first name

(Think of these operations as "interviewing" the data.)