

AP STATS SUMMER READING PRACTICE PROBLEMS

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Question 1 (10 marks). For each of the following possible investigations, classify the variable as *categorical*, *quantitative discrete* or *quantitative continuous*:

- (a) the heights of the members of a football team
- (b) the number of children in a Japanese family
- (c) the pets owned by students in a year 8 class
- (d) the amount of sunshine in a day
- (e) the amount of rainfall in each month of the year
- (f) the most popular colours of cars
- (g) the time spent doing homework
- (h) items sold at the school canteen
- (i) the number of matches in a box
- (j) the pulse rates of a group of athletes at rest

Question 2 (10 marks). A class of 20 students was asked “How many pets do you have in your household?” and the following data was collected:

0 1 2 2 1 3 4 3 1 2 0 0 1 0 2 1 0 1 0 1

- (a) What is the variable in this investigation? Is the variable discrete or continuous?
- (b) Construct a dotplot to display the data.
- (c) Describe the distribution of the data. (Is it symmetrical, positively skewed or negatively skewed? Are there any outliers?)
- (d) What percentage of the households had no pets?
- (e) What percentage of the households had three or more pets?

Question 3 (10 marks). The data set below is the test scores (out of 100) for a Stats test for 50 students:

56	29	78	67	68	69	80	89	92	71
58	66	56	88	81	70	73	63	74	38
67	64	62	55	56	75	90	92	47	44
59	64	89	62	51	87	89	76	59	88
72	80	95	68	80	64	53	43	61	39

- (a) Construct a tally and frequency table for this data using intervals 0 - 9, 10 - 19, 20 - 29,, 90 - 100.
- (b) What percentage of the students scored 80 or more for the test?
- (c) What percentage of students scored less than 50 for the test?
- (d) Copy and complete the following:
More students had a test score in the interval than in any other interval.

Question 4 (10 marks). It is estimated that 32% of US teens spending goes towards food. Assume that the yearly ammounts spend on food can be approximated by a normal model with a mean of \$600 and a standard deviation of \$120.

- (a) A teen spending \$720 would be at what perentile?
- (b) What percent of American teens spend between \$360 and \$840 per year on food?