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### Part 1: Building a Foundation

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#### What is the primary purpose of a box and whisker plot?

*Hint: Think about how data distribution is represented.*

- A) To show the mean of a dataset
- B) To display the distribution of data through quartiles
- C) To compare two datasets
- D) To show the frequency of data points

#### Which of the following are components of a box and whisker plot? (Select all that apply)

*Hint: Consider the elements that make up the plot.*

- A) Mean
- B) Median
- C) Lower Quartile (Q1)
- D) Upper Quartile (Q3)

#### Explain what the interquartile range (IQR) represents in a box and whisker plot.

*Hint: Think about the range of the middle 50% of the data.*

#### List the five-number summary components of a box and whisker plot.

*Hint: Consider the key statistics that summarize the data.*

1. Minimum

2. Lower Quartile (Q1)

3. Median

4. Upper Quartile (Q3)

5. Maximum

## Part 2: Comprehension and Application

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**If the median line in a box plot is closer to the lower quartile, what does this suggest about the data distribution?**

*Hint: Think about the shape of the data distribution.*

- A) The data is positively skewed
- B) The data is negatively skewed
- C) The data is symmetrical
- D) The data has no skew

**Which of the following statements about outliers in a box plot are true? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Consider how outliers are defined and represented.*

- A) Outliers are data points that fall outside the whiskers.
- B) Outliers are always included in the calculation of the median.
- C) Outliers can indicate variability in the data.
- D) Outliers are always marked with a distinct symbol.

**Create a box and whisker plot for the following dataset: 4, 8, 15, 16, 23, 42. Explain each step in your process.**

*Hint: Think about how to organize and analyze the data.*

**You have a dataset with the following values: 3, 7, 8, 5, 12, 14, 21, 13, 18. Which of the following are correct steps to find the IQR? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Consider the process of calculating quartiles.*

- A) Order the data from smallest to largest
- B) Find the median of the entire dataset
- C) Calculate the median of the lower half and upper half of the dataset
- D) Subtract the lower quartile from the upper quartile

### Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

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**If a box plot shows a long whisker on the upper side, what can be inferred about the data?**

*Hint: Think about the implications of whisker length.*

- A) The data is negatively skewed
- B) The data is positively skewed
- C) The data is symmetrical
- D) The data has no outliers

**Analyze a box plot that shows a dataset with a median closer to the upper quartile and explain what this indicates about the data distribution.**

*Hint: Consider the implications of the median's position.*

**Which of the following scenarios would most benefit from using a box and whisker plot?**

*Hint: Think about the types of data analysis that require distribution insights.*

- A) Comparing the average scores of two classes
- B) Understanding the distribution of salaries in a company
- C) Display the frequency of a single data point
- D) Showing the total sales of a product over time

**Design a real-world scenario where a box and whisker plot would be useful. Describe the dataset, what you would analyze, and how the plot would help in decision-making.**

*Hint: Think about practical applications of box plots in various fields.*