



Compton USD Learning Packet #3

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Collection 4: Making Your Voice Heard

Anchor Text #2: Wild Animals Aren't Pets LEXILE: 1170L



In many states, anyone with a few hundred dollars and a yen for the unusual can own a python, a black bear or a big cat as a "pet." For \$8,000 a baby white tiger can be yours. Sometimes, wild animals are even offered free: "Siberian tigers looking for a good home," read an ad in the Animal Finder's Guide.

Until recently, though, few people knew how easy it is to own a wild animal as a pet. Or how potentially tragic.

But just as a 2007 raid on property owned by football star Michael Vick laid bare the little known and cruel world of dogfighting, a story that unfolded in a small Ohio city recently opened the public's eyes to the little known, distressing world of "exotic" pets. We're not suggesting that people who own these animals are cruel. Many surely love them. But public safety, common sense and compassion for

1. Claim 1, Target 9: Central Ideas, Standard: RI.6.2

Which sentence **best** identifies the author's message?

- (A) Only rich people can own exotic and wild animals.
- (B) Michael Vick created problems for animal lovers.
- (C) Wild and exotic animals should not be pets.
- (D) Owning exotic animals is questionable for all citizens.

2. Claim 2, Target 8: Key Details, Standard: RI.6.1

Which evidence from the text best supports that wild animals should not be allowed to be pets?

- (A) Federal laws tried to help regulate the sales and ownerships of exotic animals.
- (B) In 2009, a 2-year-old Florida girl was strangled by a 12-foot-long Burmese python, a family pet that had gotten out of its aquarium.
- (C) Owners of "exotic" animals claim they rarely maim or kill.
- (D) Having compassion and common sense are the main reason why people should have wild animals as pets.

3. Claim 1, Target 11: Reasoning and Evidence, Standard: RI.6.3

animals all dictate the same conclusion: Wild animals are not pets.

If that weren't already obvious, it became more so when collector Terry Thompson opened the cages on his Zanesville farm, springing dozens of lions, tigers, bears and other wild creatures before killing himself. With animals running loose and darkness closing in, authorities arrived with no good choices to protect the public. They shot all but a handful of the animals as the nation watched, transfixed and horrified.

Owners of "exotic" animals claim they rarely maim or kill. But is the death rate really the point?

In 2009, a 2-year-old Florida girl was strangled by a 12-foot-long Burmese python, a family pet that had gotten out of its aquarium. That same year, a Connecticut woman was mauled and disfigured by a neighbor's pet chimp. Last year, a caretaker was mauled to death by a bear owned by a Cleveland collector. In Zanesville, it was the animals themselves, including 18 rare Bengal tigers, who became innocent victims.

Trade in these beautiful creatures thrives in the USA, where thousands are bred and sold through classified ads or at auctions centered in Indiana, Missouri and Tennessee. There's too little to stop it.

A 2003 federal law, which forbids the interstate transport of certain big cats, has stopped much of the trade on the Internet, according to the Humane Society of the U.S. But monkeys, baboons and other primates were left

Part A

What inference can be made about the author's opinion of how wild animals should be handled?

- (A) The authors have the interest of wild animals at heart.
- (B) Pet owners are "selfish and insane."
- (C) Better laws are needed to protect animals.
- (D) Animal welfare must be about caring for animals one owns.

Part B

Which sentence **best** supports your answer in Part A?

- (A) Owners of "exotic" animals claim they rarely maim or kill.
- (B) People who choose to keep exotic animals in captivity are cruel.
- (C) Eight-Alabama, Idaho, Ohio, Nevada, North Carolina, South Carolina, West Virginia and Wisconsin—have no rules, and in 13 others the laws are lax according to Born Free USA, which has lobbied for years for stronger laws.
- (D) Laws about owning exotic pets should be tougher.

out, and measures to plug that hole have twice stalled in Congress.

Only collectors who exhibit animals need a federal license. Those, such as Thompson, who keep the animals as “pets” are left alone, unless states intervene. And many do not.

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After the Cleveland bear-mauling, then-Ohio Gov. Ted Strickland issued an emergency order to ban possession of wild animals. While it exempted current owners, Thompson might have been forced to give up his menagerie because he had been cited for animal cruelty. We’ll never know. Strickland’s successor, John Kasich, let the order expire.

4. Claim 1, Target 10: Word Meaning, **Standard:** RI.6.4

Read the sentence.

Thompson might have been forced to give up his menagerie, because he had been cited for animal cruelty.

What does the use of the word **menagerie** suggest?

- (A) Collection of wild animals kept in captivity for exhibition.
- (B) Jail for cruel animal owners.
- (C) A collection of animals kept for their safety.
- (D) Place for monkeys.

5. Claim 1, Target 12: Analysis within/across Texts, **Standard:** RI.6.1

How does the author’s inclusion of “Those, such as Thompson, who keep the animals as “pets” are left alone, unless states intervene. And many do not.” add to the development of the text?

- (A) It shows that the pet owners need to be cited for having exotic animals.
- (B) It shows that states hold citizens accountable for their “exotic” pets.
- (C) It shows that citizens have the right to choose their animals as pets.
- (D) It shows that federal laws need to regulate all “exotic” animals.

6. Claim 1, Target 13 Text Structures and Features, **Standard:** RI.6.5

What is the most likely reason the author structured the text this way?

- (A) To compare and contrast editorial views on pets and exotic animals.
- (B) To compare and contrast two owners that were arrested.
- (C) To compare and contrast how people can make their own choices.
- (D) To compare and contrast the similarities of pets and exotic animals.

7. Claim 1, Target 14: Language Usage, **Standard:** RL.6.1

Read the sentences.

Owners of "exotic" animals claim they rarely maim or kill. But is the death rate really the point?

What does the phrase "But is the death rate really the point?" suggest about the argument in the text?

- (A) The phrase challenges the reader to see that owning wild animals shouldn't be limited, because the low death rate is so low.
- (B) The phrase challenges the reader to see that owning wild animals shouldn't be banned even if there is a low death rate.
- (C) The phrase challenges the reader to see that owning wild animals should be considered, because the death rate is so low.
- (D) The phrase challenges the reader to see that owning wild animals should be banned even if there is a low death rate.

8. Claim 2, Target 9: Edit Clarify (conventions), Standard: L.6.1

Choose the sentence that is punctuated correctly.

- A** On my sandwich I like ketchup, pickles, and lettuce.
- B** On my sandwich; I like ketchup, pickles, and lettuce.
- C** On my sandwich, I like: ketchup, pickles, and lettuce
- D** On my sandwich, I like ketchup, pickles, and lettuce.

9. Claim 2, Target 9: Edit Clarify (conventions), Standard: L.6.2

Choose the sentence that contains a spelling error.

- A** The farmers picked blackberrys during the summer months.
- B** We left school early to avoid the midday traffic.
- C** The tomato rolled off the table and caused a big mess.
- D** Some people like doughnuts and coffee in the morning.

10. Claim 1, Target 9 (TM5) : Constructed Response, Standard: RI.6.2

Determine the central idea of the text. Explain the central idea and support your answer using key details from the text.

Pronouns

1. Choose the sentence with the correct pronoun.

- A. Janet and me learned about the solar system and space travel in science class.
- B. Janet and I learned about the solar system and space travel in science class.

L.6.1.A

Pronouns

2. Which is the correct way to write the underlined portion of the sentence below?

The boy hurt _____ when he fell off the bike.

- A. himself
- B. myself
- C. herself
- D. itself

L.6.1.B

Pronouns

3. Read the following sentences.

Natalie and Gina rehearsed their parts for the school play. It has been difficult for her to memorize the lines.

Which of the following is the **best** pronoun to replace the underlined pronoun in the sentence?

- A. it
- B. us
- C. them
- D. Leave as is.

L.6.1.C

Pronouns

4. Which choice shows how to correct the vague pronoun used below?

I water my plants every day, which helps them grow and stay healthy.

- A. I water my plants every day. This helps them grow and stay healthy.
- B. I water my plants every day. It helps them grow and stay healthy.
- C. I water my plants every day, a practice which helps them grow and stay healthy.
- D. Leave as is.

L.6.1.D

Language Variations

5. Read the following sentence.

About 50,000 people they did attend the dedication on May 30.

Which choice correctly revises the sentence so that it uses standard English?

- A. Approximately 50,000 people attended the dedication on May 30.
- B. Around 50,000 people done attended the dedication on May 30.
- C. In the ballpark of 50,000 people they did attend the dedication on May 30.
- D. Roughly 50,000 people did they attend the dedication on May 30.

L.6.1.E

6. Which is the correct way to add information to the underlined portion of the sentence?

My aunt will celebrate her 89th birthday this Saturday.

- A. My aunt is the youngest of eight children, will celebrate
- B. My aunt is the youngest of eight children will celebrate
- C. My aunt, is the youngest of eight children, will celebrate
- D. My aunt, the youngest of eight children, will celebrate

L.6.2.A

7. Read each sentence and look at the underlined words. Which sentence shows the underlined word spelled correctly?

- A. He can brake anything around.
- B. The runner will brake a record.
- C. Brake gently when you go down hill.
- D. I took my brake at recess.

L.6.2.B

8. Which of the following is the **best** way to rewrite the two sentences to make one compound sentence?

Algae can be cultivated in these areas. Then they can be converted into a biofuel.

- A. Algae can be cultivated in these areas, and then they can be converted into a biofuel.
- B. Algae can be cultivated in these areas, then they can be converted into a biofuel.
- C. Algae can be cultivated in these areas and converted into a biofuel.
- D. Because algae can be cultivated in these areas, they can be converted into a biofuel.

L.6.3.A

16.1 Independent Practice

 6.SP.3, 6.SP.5, 6.SP.5a, 6.SP.5b, 6.SP.5c, 6.SP.5d



Personal
Math Trainer
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and Help

Several students in Ashton’s class were randomly selected and asked how many text messages they sent yesterday. Their answers were 1, 0, 10, 7, 13, 2, 9, 15, 0, 3.

5. How many students were asked? How do you know?

6. Find the mean and the median for these data.

Mean = _____ Median = _____

The points scored by a basketball team in its last 6 games are shown. Use these data for 7 and 8.

Points Scored					
73	77	85	84	37	115

7. Find the mean score and the median score.

Mean = _____ Median = _____

8. Which measure better describes the typical number of points scored? Explain.

Some people were asked how long it takes them to commute to work. Use the data for 9–11.

9. What units are used for the data? What should you do before finding the mean and median number of minutes?

10. Find the mean and median number of minutes.

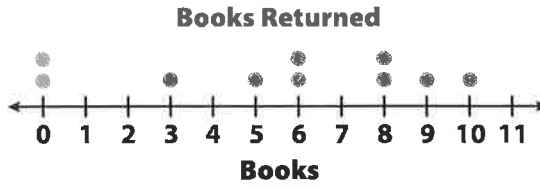
Mean = _____ Median = _____

11. Which measure do you think is more typical of the data?

16 min	5 min
7 min	8 min
14 min	12 min
0.5 hr	1 hr



12. Critique Reasoning For two weeks, the school librarian recorded the number of library books returned each morning. The data are shown in the dot plot. The librarian found the mean number of books returned each morning.



$$\frac{8 + 6 + 10 + 5 + 9 + 8 + 3 + 6}{8} = \frac{55}{8} = 6.875$$

Is this the correct mean of this data set? If not, explain and correct the answer.

13. Critical Thinking Lauren's scores on her math tests are 93, 91, 98, 100, 95, 92, and 96. What score could Lauren get on her next math test so that the mean and median remain the same? Explain your answer.

14. Persevere in Problem Solving Yuko wants to take a job selling cars. Since she will get a commission for every car she sells, she finds out the sale price of the last four cars sold at each company.

Company A: \$16,000; \$20,000; \$25,000; \$35,000;

Company B: \$21,000, \$23,000, \$36,000, \$48,000

a. Find the mean selling price at each company.

b. Find the median selling price at each company.

c. Communicate Mathematical Ideas At either company, Yuko will get paid a commission of 20% of the sale price of each car she sells. Based on the data, where do you recommend she take a job? Why?

Confucianism and Daoism: An Overview

Confucianism – A philosophical and religious tradition where the key to maintaining society is through traditional social relationships (between father and son, husband and wife, ruler and subject, etc.). It states that human beings are teachable and can improve both individually and through interactions with the community.

Daoism (sometimes spelled Taoism) – A philosophical and religious tradition that promotes harmony and unity with nature. It encourages people to live calmly and peacefully. It teaches that intervening in life's events causes conflict and destruction, so people should limit their interference and only do what is required.

Confucianism	Daoism (Taoism)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founded by Confucius in 6th-5th century BCE. • Main principle is <i>ren</i>, which describes that people should behave in a loving, selfless, and moral way. • Principles of <i>li</i> and <i>yi</i> dictate actions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Li</i> describes the actions that are right because of the needs of society. ○ <i>Yi</i> describes the actions that are inherently right, good, and moral. • <i>Hsiao</i> is the principle of filial piety, which means that children should respect their parents. • Virtue is seen as leading by the proper moral example. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founded by Laozi in 6th-5th century BCE. • Main principle is the <i>Dao</i>, which means “the Way.” All things in the universe are connected together through the <i>Dao</i>. • <i>Wu Wei</i> is the method of following the <i>Dao</i>. This involves living in harmony and letting things take their natural course without interference. • Principle of <i>Yin Yang</i> states that opposites fit together and depend on each other for harmony (i.e., darkness and light, life and death). • Virtue is seen as being true to oneself, instead of satisfying the standards set by others.

Critical Vocabulary

Practice and Apply

1. Which of the following could be described as **exotic**?
 - a. A food from another country
 - b. A backpack
 - c. A rare type of orchid

2. Which of the following is something our government can **dictate**?
 - a. How birthdays can be celebrated
 - b. Taxes people have to pay

3. Which of these might you find in a **menagerie**?
 - a. Monkeys
 - b. A stuffed lion
 - c. stars

4. Which are the following are things we could **regulate**?
 - a. Laughter

- b. Dreams
- c. How fast people should drive

Vocabulary Strategy: Whole to Part Analogies

5. Petal: _____::child:family
- a. Flower
 - b. stem
6. Chapter: book::_____:army
- a. Uniform
 - b. soldier
7. Ohio: _____::lettuce:salad
- a. United States
 - b. Zanesville
8. Elbow: arm:: people: _____
- a. Business
 - b. population



Assignment

Making an Inference from Informational Text

Topic: Sharks

Your Assignment:

Read the article from the local newspaper below. .

Whales Are Out, and Sharks Are In!

By Anthony Paul

During the past several years something deeply disturbing (or perhaps fascinating) has been spotted in the waters off of South Orange County and Long Beach in Southern California. Although many people are not alarmed at all by seeing GREAT WHITE SHARKS swimming near them, others worry that they will never be able to enjoy the ocean again without worrying about what may be right next to them just beneath the surface.

Historically only a few of these creatures were seen each year. Surfers and swimmers did not worry too much about having an encounter with the sharks. Although the Great Whites are the largest predatory creature in the ocean, they do not intend to attack humans. Humans are usually just mistaken as a seal or sea lion, which is a more preferred food source- for both the sharks and the humans!

However, something has changed, and the beaches are emptier than they have ever been before. Lately schools of Great Whites have been seen just off the coastline. It is believed that because of the increased protections granted for sea lions, seals, and the sharks themselves, that the populations of these animals are increasing, and therefore, it is logical that we would see more of them. Nothing shakes up a town more quickly than a boon in shark sightings. And that is exactly what is happening in Dana Point, California!

Nearly once a week for the past two months, one beach or another has been closed due to shark sightings! Lifeguards, surfers, and even tourists can spot the sharks in the water, and this prompts the authorities to close the beach and put warning signs out to swim at your own risk. The Sheriff has even flown a helicopter over the area where the sharks have been spotted to warn people that they were swimming right next to sharks!

While some people heed the warnings and do not bother going to the beach these days, others gravitate to the town to get a look at the Great Whites while they are still around. Nobody knows exactly how long it will be before they move on- or whether or not they will ever move on to another location. It is part of the mystery and intrigue. Will they stay because of the warmer water? Will they ever leave?

Whale watching tour operators know one thing right now. The Great Whites are here, and some people will pay to go out to see them! Dana Point runs whale watching tours out of the harbor, but these days the Dana Wharf Sportfishing and Whale Watching's Ocean Adventure has changed to Shark Search tours which are operated 2 to 3 times each day (weekends only). It is a two-hour chance to see the predators up close and personal! They say that the tours will operate every weekend until the sharks are no longer in the area. The surfers hope that will be sooner than later, but the tour operators probably have a different opinion on the matter!

Stem Starters:

You may want to consider starting your response using one of these stems. You do not have to do so, but they are here to help you if you need them.

Based on the article, I infer that the sharks' presence...

I infer that the sharks' presence...

I can tell that the sharks' presence...

|

Your Response:

9. Read the short passage.

Passage (Virginia Hamilton)

(1) Virginia Hamilton was a well-known African-American author who produced more than forty books for children. (2) Her writing touches on important themes such as memory, tradition, and race. (3) She wrote books in every style, folktales and science fiction and realistic novels and biographies. (4) Her writing was often criticized for its unusual style. (5) She won every major award in the field of youth literature.

(6) Virginia was born in 1934, the youngest of five children, and spent her childhood in Yellow Springs, Ohio. (7) Virginia knew very early that she wanted to be a writer. (8) At the age of nine, she wrote her first novel, called *The Novel*, which I'm sad to say she lost at some point. (9) She was an excellent student and received a full scholarship to college, where she studied literature and creative writing. (10) In 1958, she moved to New York City and dedicated herself to her life's ambition, writing. (11) Her first novel, *Zeely*, it was published in 1967. (12) Her second, *The House of Dies Drear*, followed in 1968. (13) In 1969, she returned to Yellow Springs with her husband and two children. (14) There, they made a life on the old family farm. (15) She continued to write until her death in 2002.

(16) Nearly every book she published was honored with one award or another. (17) Several of her novels was named Newbery Honor Books. (18) *M.C. Higgins, the Great* won the Newbery Medal, making Virginia the first African American to win this award. (19) The same novel also that won the National Book Award and many other honors. (20) *The People Could Fly* won the Coretta Scott King Award and was named a New York Times Best Illustrated Book. (21) In 1992, Virginia became one of the few Americans to win the Hans Christian Andersen Award for Writing, the highest international honor for writers of children's books. (22) **Isn't it amazing how much she accomplished?** (23) But perhaps most important, she remains dearly beloved of children and adult readers alike.

Which choice shows the **BEST** way to rewrite **sentence 22**, so that it matches the style and tone of the rest of the text?

- A. I never cease to be impressed by her accomplishments.
- B. This list of her accomplishments is seemingly endless.
- C. She was such an unbelievably accomplished person!
- D. She really accomplished quite a lot of stuff in her lifetime.

10. Identify the correct meaning of the word extrovert in the sentence below.

An extrovert by nature, the young man was the life of the party as he danced on the table.

- A. one who experiences continual happiness
- B. one who is interested in things outside of self, rather than internal thoughts and feelings
- C. one who has wealth, many friends, and hobbies
- D. one who is very self-centered and proud

L.6.4.A

11. What conclusion can be made about the meaning of the word audible based on its root?

- A. It is related to space in some way.
- B. It is related to hearing in some way
- C. It is related to earth in some way.
- D. It involves piercing the skin with a sharp object.

L.6.4.B

12. Read this dictionary entry:

adolescent [ad-l-es-uh nt]

noun

a young adult

adj.

having the qualities of a young adult

Which is true about the correct pronunciation of "adolescent"?

- A. Two syllables are stressed.
- B. The "e" has a long "e" sound.
- C. Two letters are not pronounced.
- D. One letter is not pronounced.

L.6.4.C

13. A student inferred that the meaning of abrupt is blunt. Which dictionary entry **best** verifies the student's initial inference about the meaning of abrupt?

- A. abrupt: *verb* make less sharp.
- B. abrupt: *adj.* very steep; having a sharp incline.
- C. abrupt: *adj.* having sudden changes in subject, as in prose.
- D. abrupt: *adj.* curt or short in manner or speech.

L.6.4.D

14. Read the following sentence.

The boss could turn into a drill sergeant when something had to be done quickly.

The metaphor in the above sentence reveals that the boss...

- A. could teach his employees
- B. could work fast
- C. could be strict
- D. could change roles easily

L.6.5.A

15. Read the short passage below.

FRIEND: (*hesitantly*) Rosa, can I ask you something? Why do you work here? You're a college graduate. Your family is full of teachers, you have been with the NAACP¹ helping other folks. You shouldn't be doing this kind of work.

Which word from the excerpt **BEST** completes the following sentence?

A child is to an adult as a student is to a _____.

- A. work
- B. college
- C. graduate
- D. family

L.6.5.B

16. Read the sentence below.

Matthew had taken the scrawny little hand awkwardly in his; then and there he decided what to do.

Which word is the closest in meaning to the underlined word?

- A. dainty
- B. skinny
- C. delicate
- D. small

L.6.5.C

17. Ryan knew he could go to the glossary to help with the _____ of a term in his textbook.

- A. definition
- B. condensing
- C. inferring
- D. classifying

L.6.6*

Mean Median Mode



Name _____

1. A group of people were asked the questions shown below.

For each question select Yes if it is a statistical question or No if it is not.

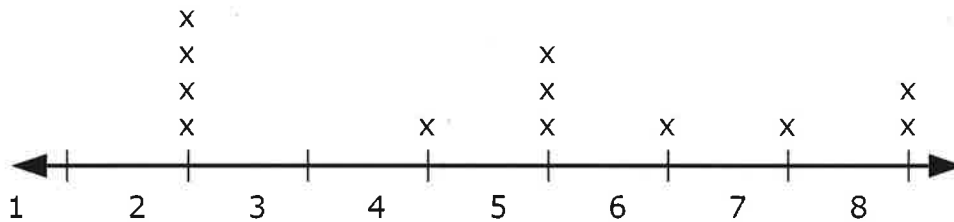
A. What is the length of a swimming pool?

Yes **No**

B. How many players will be injured playing soccer?

C. What is the average diameter of a soccer ball?

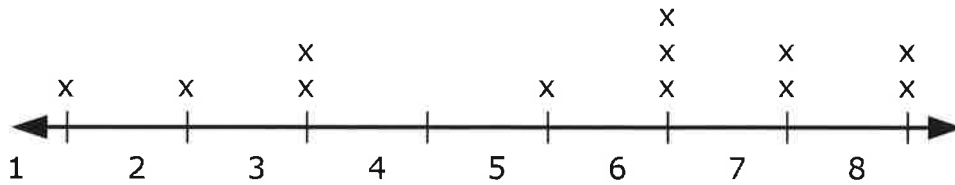
2. Consider the line plot below.



Which data set matches the line plot?

- (A) 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 5, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8
- (B) 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4
- (C) 2, 2, 2, 2, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8
- (D) 2, 2, 2, 2, 4, 5, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4

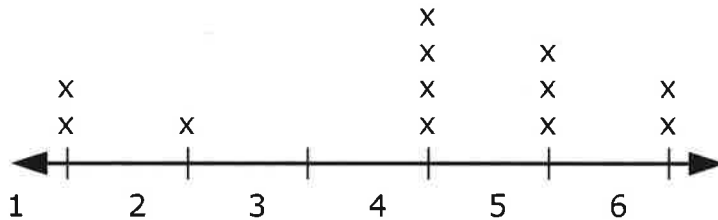
3. Consider the line plot below.



Which data set matches the line plot?

- (A) 1, 3, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2
- (B) 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 6, 1, 1, 5, 2, 3, 2
- (C) 7, 6, 1, 6, 1, 1, 7, 1, 8, 1, 8, 1
- (D) 6, 6, 7, 1, 5, 8, 7, 8, 3, 3, 6, 2
4. Trey surveyed her classmates and asked them how many questions they missed on a recent test.

The survey data is displayed in the data plot below.



Missed Test Questions

How many classmates did Trey survey?

5. The monthly average temperatures in celsius of a city were recorded below.

6, 6, 6, 12, 12, 10, 6, 12, 4

A. Enter the mean of the data:

B. Enter the mode of the data:

C. Enter the range of the data: to

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6. Several daily average temperatures in fahrenheit were recorded below.

40, 42, 44, 58, 64, 70, 76, 82, 84, 96

Part A: Enter a number other than 70 to the data set so that the median number is 70.

Part B: Enter a number other than 64 to the data set so that the median number is 64.

A.

B.

Document A (Modified)

The Duke Ai asked the Master, "What should be done to secure the **submission** of the people?"

The Master replied, "Advance the upright and set aside the **crooked**, then the people will submit. Advance the crooked and set aside the upright, then the people will not submit."

Ji Kang asked how to cause the people to respect their ruler. The Master said, "Let him rule over them with seriousness; – then they will respect him. Let him be final and kind to all; – then they will be faithful to him."

Ji Kang asked the Master about government. The Master replied, "To govern means to **rectify**. If you lead the people with correctness, who will dare to not act correct?"

The Master said, "If good men were to govern a country for a hundred years, they would be able to transform the violently bad, and dispense with **capital punishments**."

Vocabulary

submission: obedience

crooked: dishonest, immoral

rectify: to correct

capital punishment: death penalty

Document B (Modified)

Not to value and employ men of superior ability is the way to keep the people from **rivalry** among themselves. Not to prize articles which are difficult to **procure** is the way to keep them from becoming thieves. Not to show them what is likely to excite their desires is the way to keep their minds from disorder. . . .

When there is this **abstinence** from action, good order is universal. . . .

Use fairness in governing the state. Use surprise tactics in war. Be unconcerned and you will have the world.

How do I know it is like this? Because: the more regulations there are, the poorer people become. The more people own weapons, the greater disorder there is in the country and clans. The more clever the people are, the more extraordinary actions they take. The more picky the laws are, the more thieves and gangsters there are.

Therefore the **sages** say: "I do not force my way, and the people transform themselves. I enjoy my **serenity**, and the people correct themselves. I do not interfere, and the people enrich themselves. I have no desires, and the people keep their simple ways."

When the government is laid back, the people are relaxed. When the government is nitpicking, the people have anxiety.

Vocabulary

rivalry: competition

procure: to get

abstinence: declining to do something

sage: a very wise person

serenity: the state of being calm

Wild Animals As Pets

Step 1. Read the story, *Let People Own Exotic Animals*

Step 2. Based on the CATQ, Video, and the story below, create a paragraph answering the following question: [Should people be allowed to own exotic animals?](#)

Let People Own Exotic Animals by Zuzana Kukol

The recent tragedy in Zanesville, Ohio brought back the question of whether private ownership of wild and exotic animals should be legal.

The simple answer is yes. Responsible private ownership of exotic animals should be legal if animal welfare is taken care of. Terry Thompson didn't represent the typical responsible owner. He had a criminal record and animal abuse charges. What Thompson did was selfish and insane; we cannot regulate insanity.

People keep exotic animals for commercial^[1] reasons and as pets. Most exotic animals—such as big cats, bears or apes—are in commercial, federally inspected facilities. These animals are born in captivity, and not “stolen” from the wild. Captive breeding eliminates the pressure on wild populations, and also serves as a backup in case the animals go extinct.^[2]



Dangers from exotic animals are low. On average in the United States, only 3.25 people per year are killed by captive big cats, snakes, elephants and bears. Most of these fatalities are owners, family members, friends and trainers voluntarily
20 on the property where the animals were kept. Meanwhile, traffic accidents kill about 125 people per day.

If we have the freedom to choose what car to buy, where to live, or what domestic animal to have, why shouldn't we have the same freedom to choose what species of wild or exotic animal to own and to love?

Would the Ohio situation be any different if the animals were owned by a government and their caretaker released them? Is this really about private ownership, or is it about certain people's personal issues with exotics in captivity?

30 If society overreacts and bans exotics because of actions of a few deranged[3] individuals, then we need to ban kids, as that is the only way to totally stop child abuse, and we need to ban humans, because that is the only way to stop murder. Silly, isn't it?

COLLABORATIVE DISCUSSION With a partner, discuss whether the editorial or the commentary most closely matches your point of view. Point out specific passages or ideas in each text with which you strongly agree or disagree.



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Name: _____

Averages: Word Problems

Clayton plays basketball on a team. He has played three games so far. In the first game, he scored 10 points. In the second game, he scored 14 points. In the third game, he scored 6 points. What is Clayton's average points per game?

answer: _____

Mandy earns money by delivering groceries. She earned \$4 on Monday, \$7 on Tuesday, \$5 on Wednesday, \$4 on Thursday, and \$5 on Friday. What is the average amount of money Mandy earned per day?

answer: _____

Jean loves to go bird watching. One day, she saw 7 birds. The next day, she saw 11 birds. The next day, she saw no birds. What is the average number of birds Jean saw each day?

answer: _____

Harley read 5 books in January, 8 books in February, 4 books in March, and 7 books in April. What is the average number of books Harley read per month?

answer: _____

Confucianism and Daoism Guiding Questions: Documents A & B

Close Reading: In your own words, describe three features of the ideal government according to Document A and three features of the ideal government according to Document B.

Document A

1.

2.

3.

Document B

1.

2.

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