

# Unit 01: Exploring Data (8 weeks)

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## Standards Alignment

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### New Jersey Student Learning Standards

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MA.S-ID	Interpreting Categorical and Quantitative Data
MA.S-ID.A	Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable
MA.S-ID.A.1	Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots).
MA.S-ID.A.2	Use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation) of two or more different data sets.
MA.S-ID.A.3	Interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers).
MA.S-ID.A.4	Use the mean and standard deviation of a data set to fit it to a normal distribution and to estimate population percentages. Recognize that there are data sets for which such a procedure is not appropriate. Use calculators, spreadsheets, and tables to estimate areas under the normal curve.
MA.S-ID.B	Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
MA.S-ID.B.5	Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data.
MA.S-ID.B.6	Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.
MA.S-ID.C	Interpret linear models
MA.S-ID.C.7	Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data.
MA.S-ID.C.8	Compute (using technology) and interpret the correlation coefficient of a linear fit.

### Integration of Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills

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CRP.K-12.CRP1	Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.
CRP.K-12.CRP2	Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
CRP.K-12.CRP3	Attend to personal health and financial well-being.
CRP.K-12.CRP4	Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.
CRP.K-12.CRP5	Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.
CRP.K-12.CRP6	Demonstrate creativity and innovation.

CRP.K-12.CRP7	Employ valid and reliable research strategies.
CRP.K-12.CRP8	Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
CRP.K-12.CRP9	Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management.
CRP.K-12.CRP10	Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.
CRP.K-12.CRP11	Use technology to enhance productivity.
CRP.K-12.CRP12	Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence.

## **Technology / Integration of Computer Science and Design Thinking**

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TECH.8.1.8	Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge.
TECH.8.1.8.A	Technology Operations and Concepts: Students demonstrate a sound understanding of technology concepts, systems and operations.
TECH.8.1.12.A.2	Produce and edit a multi-page digital document for a commercial or professional audience and present it to peers and/or professionals in that related area for review.

## **Interdisciplinary Connections: NJSLs for ELA, Social Studies, Science and/or Math Section**

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### **Capacities of the Literate Individual Students Who are College and Career Ready in Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening, & Language**

They build strong content knowledge.

LA.K-12.NJSLSA.R	Reading
MATH.K-12.1	Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them
MATH.K-12.2	Reason abstractly and quantitatively
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.R3	Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
MATH.K-12.4	Model with mathematics
MATH.K-12.5	Use appropriate tools strategically
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.W	Writing
LA.RI.8.3	Analyze how a text makes connections among and distinctions between individuals, ideas, or events (e.g., through comparisons, analogies, or categories).
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.W6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.W7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects, utilizing an inquiry-based research process, based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
LA.W.11-12.6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.
LA.W.11-12.7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of

the subject under investigation.

## **Integration of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; Climate Change; Informational and Media Literacy**

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see Crosswalks

### **21st Century Life and Careers**

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CRP.K-12.CRP2	Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
CRP.K-12.CRP11	Use technology to enhance productivity.

### **Stage I: Desired Results**

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### **Transfer/Overview/Rationale**

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##### Unit Rationale

The purpose of this unit...

The purpose of the unit is to gain a basis for how data can be represented. Data is the building block for everything we do in statistics and a language is necessary for describing it. In this unit, we will explore ways to illustrate data and ways to describe the nature of raw data as well. We will gain a basic vocabulary for things like outliers and weirdly “shaped” data. Being able to represent, illustrate, and analyze data will be a tool that we use in units to follow. These skills are also tools we use in life after Statistics since, in our culture, we are constantly bombarded with things like infomercials, sales pitches, and grades in college courses where data is thrown at us in many different ways. Thus, an understanding of these ideas will help us make better choices.

### **Meaning**

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### **Essential Questions**

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- How can standard deviation and mean allow us to “compare apples to oranges” and determine how “outstanding” two data values are from separate samples?
- What should we be looking for when information about studies is being presented to us in order to ensure we aren’t being misled?
- How can a strong correlation within a data set allow us to make predictions?

## **Enduring Understanding/Indicators of Understanding**

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- Data can easily be misrepresented in such a way to strengthen any argument.
- Standard deviation describes how far data is spread out and can allow us to determine how outstanding a particular data value is.
- Just because two entities seem to be correlated does not necessarily mean that one is the cause of the other.

## **Acquisition (Student Learning Objectives)**

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### **Knowledge**

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Knowledge

Students will know...

- proper format for different graphic representations of data
- types of data: continuous, discrete, categorical, quantitative
- 4 levels of data: nominal, ordinal, interval, ratio
- the pros and cons for different measures of center and spread
- values considered ‘unusual’
- correlation
- changing units on descriptive measures
- data representation diagrams
- box and whisker plot

- measures of relative standing

## **Skills**

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### Skills

Student will be skilled at ...

- organize and illustrate raw data
- classify different types of data
- determine if bivariate data is correlated
- predict results by extrapolating known correlations with lines of best fit
- describe data sets using measures of center and variation
- create box-plots, histograms, frequency tables, and other methods to convey data
- calculate and graph lines of best fit
- compare two different data values from different populations using measures of relative standing

## **Stage 3: Learning Plan**

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## **Resource and Mentor Texts**

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### Resources and Mentor Texts

- Elementary Statistics (11th Edition) - School-Issued Textbook
- TI-83 Calculator
- Online Statistical Calculators (<http://www.stattek.com>)
- Geogebra - Mathematical Calculator (Chrome App)
- Correlation Coefficient Tables
- Random Number Generator (<http://random.org>)
- Civics Questions (Study guide for citizenship test)
- Student Directory

- Recorded infomercials

## **Formative Assessment Strategies**

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### Formative Assessment Strategies

-Civics Survey

-Order of Operations Check-up

- Do Now--problem of the day related to previous learned skills or bellringers problems

- Review/Check Homework - (group check, partner check, whiteboard check)- Lecture

- Board/White Board Work - (solve problems/practice skills at board, or at seat with individual white boards)

- Kahoot to reinforce skills

- Thumbs up/down/sideways - quick formative assessment to gauge students level of understanding

- Jeopardy style review games

-Relay races--each student does one part of a problem, hands it to the next student to check then completes the next part, etc.

- Scavenger hunts--self-checking, out of seats activity

## **Learning Activities/Unit of Study**

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- Design our own studies to be used as example problems
- Watching infomercials critically
- Create diagrams to be displayed around the room
- Tutorial on “using the ti-83 for High School Statistics”
- scavenger hunts
- Lecture
- Work together to understand and practice the skill - partner work/larger group work to read lesson, and practice skills through “On Your Own” problems incorporated throughout each lesson
- Stations - (Small group instruction, skills practice - scavenger hunts, online games, board work)
- Review and practice skills using a variety of materials - (text, workbook, chromebook, games, activities, discussion)
- GIWAR - graphic organizer for analyzing/interpreting/organizing word problems

**Student led instruction**

- Foldables--creates an organized study guide per chapter
- Socrative--non-multiple choice technology option where students can either “race” or work at the teacher-pace
- Story time--a power point run story where the students are characters and must use a mathematical skill to solve a problem
- Partner/Group investigation where students must create a formula, method, or strategy to solve a problem.
- Students “as teachers” where they present a method or formula they discovered through investigation
- Pear Deck--an interactive online powerpoint where students enter answers, watch videos, and record notes from the information shown on their own device as well as projected.
- Videos by Shmoop to introduce or reinforce concepts in an engaging and comical way
- Math created songs to help reinforce concepts
- Online games on chromebooks (see resources)

## **Modifications and/or Accommodations**

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### **Suggested Modifications (ELL, Sp. Ed, Gifted, At-risk of Failure)**

#### **English Language Learners**

Native language support: The teacher provides auditory or written content to students in their native language.

**Adjusted Speech:** The teacher changes speech patterns to increase student comprehension. This could include facing the students, paraphrasing, clearly indicating the most important ideas, and speaking more slowly.

**Visuals:** The teacher uses graphics, pictures, visuals, and manipulatives. This helps ELL students better understand and comprehend the subjects at hand.

**Front-Loading Vocabulary:** The teacher front loads vocabulary. This means providing students with a list of important vocabulary words they will need to know for a book, lesson, etc. prior to the lesson being taught. Including pictures to go with the vocabulary words is also very beneficial for the students.

## Special Education Students

**Chunking:** The teacher presents information in a way that makes it easy for students to understand and remember. Chunking is based on the presumption that our working memory is easily overloaded by excessive detail. The best way to deliver information is to organize it into meaningful units. Because students with special needs get overloaded easily, chunking is an effective strategy to use with them.

**Checking for Understanding:** It is important to constantly check for understanding, especially for students who have accommodations. Teachers want to make sure students understand the concepts being covered in a way that makes sense to them.

**Extra time:** The teacher provides students with special needs extra time to complete work or answer questions. It is important to give students enough time to process their thoughts.

**Oral Reading:** The teacher will read work orally to students. Class work such as tests and literature circles may need to be read aloud to the student.

**Timers:** The teacher will use timers as an instructional tool. The use of timers is beneficial for students who have trouble completing tasks. Timers can be helpful so the student is aware of how much time they have to complete an assignment.

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## Gifted & Talented Strategies

**Extensions/Enrichments:** Teachers will provide gifted and talented students with extension/enrichment projects. Students will be challenged to further their understanding, to apply acquired knowledge, and/or to produce something in reference to acquired knowledge.

**Modify/Change Activities:** Teachers will monitor and modify activities to accommodate those students who need to be challenged further. Additional reading, problem-solving, writing, or project work is necessary for those students who are ready to move on at a rate more accelerated than their peers. In this way, G & T students are provided the same opportunity for support as special needs students.

## Students at Risk of School Failure

**Directions or Instructions:** Make sure directions and/or instructions are given in limited numbers. Give directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format. Ask students to repeat the instructions or directions to ensure understanding occurs. Check back with the student to ensure he/she hasn't forgotten.

**Peer Support:** Peers can help build confidence in other students by assisting in peer learning. Many teachers use the 'ask 3 before me' approach. This is fine, however, a student at risk may have to have a specific student or two to ask. Set this up for the student so he/she knows who to ask for clarification before going to you.

**Alternate or Modified Assignments:** Always ask yourself, "How can I modify this assignment to ensure the students at risk are able to complete it?" Sometimes you'll simplify the task, reduce the length of the assignment or allow for a different mode of delivery. For instance, many students may hand something in, the at-risk student may jot notes and give you the information verbally. Or, it just may be that you will need to assign an alternate assignment.

**Increase One to One Time:** When other students are working, always touch base with your students at risk and find out if they're on track or needing some additional support. A few minutes here and there will go a long way to intervene as the need presents itself.

**Contracts:** It helps to have a working contract between you and your students at risk. This helps prioritize the tasks that need to be done and ensure completion happens. Each day write down what needs to be completed, as the tasks are done, provide a checkmark or happy face. The goal of using contracts is to eventually have the student come to you for completion sign-offs.

**Hands On:** As much as possible, think in concrete terms and provide hands-on tasks. This means a child doing math may require a calculator or counters. The child may need to tape record comprehension activities instead of writing them. A child may have to listen to a story being read instead of reading it him/herself.

**Tests/Assessments:** Tests can be done orally if need be. Break tests down in smaller increments by having a portion of the test in the morning, another portion after lunch and the final part the next day.

**Seating:** Seat students near a helping peer or with quick access to the teacher. Those with hearing

or sight issues need to be close to the instruction which often means near the front.