

## Finding the Interquartile Range (IQR)

**Determine the Interquartile Range (IQR) of the data set: 9, 8, 6, 5, 3, 8, 5, 9, 11**

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the  
middle  
50%  
of the  
data.)

**Step 1:** Arrange the numbers in order and find the median. This splits the data in half.

3, 5, 5, 6, 8, 8, 9, 9, 11

A box plot diagram illustrating the distribution of a data set. The horizontal axis represents the data values, with tick marks at every integer from 1 to 10. Three vertical lines, representing the quartiles and median, are positioned at x-coordinates 3, 5, and 7. A box is drawn between the first quartile (Q1) at x=3 and the third quartile (Q3) at x=7. The median is marked by a vertical line at x=5. Whiskers extend from the box to the minimum value at x=1 and the maximum value at x=9. Outliers are represented by three separate circles: one at x=2, one at x=6, and one at x=8.

**Step 2:** Cut the data into quarters by finding Q1 and Q3. This is done by finding the median of the first half, then the median of the second half.

Q1: 5

Q3:9

3, 5, 5, 6, 8, 8, 9, 9, 11

See... now your data is split into quarters. There are EQUAL amounts of numbers between sections.

A box plot diagram illustrating the distribution of a data set. The data is organized into four equal quartiles of 25% each. The first quartile (Q1) is marked by a vertical line at the 25th percentile, with the value # circled. The second quartile (Median) is marked by a vertical line at the 50th percentile, with the value # circled. The third quartile (Q3) is marked by a vertical line at the 75th percentile, with the value # circled. The whiskers extend from the minimum value # to the maximum value #.

**Step 3:** Find the difference between Q3 and Q1 (Q3 minus Q1). It's just like finding the range, but this time you are using the Q3 and Q1, instead of the minimum and maximum.

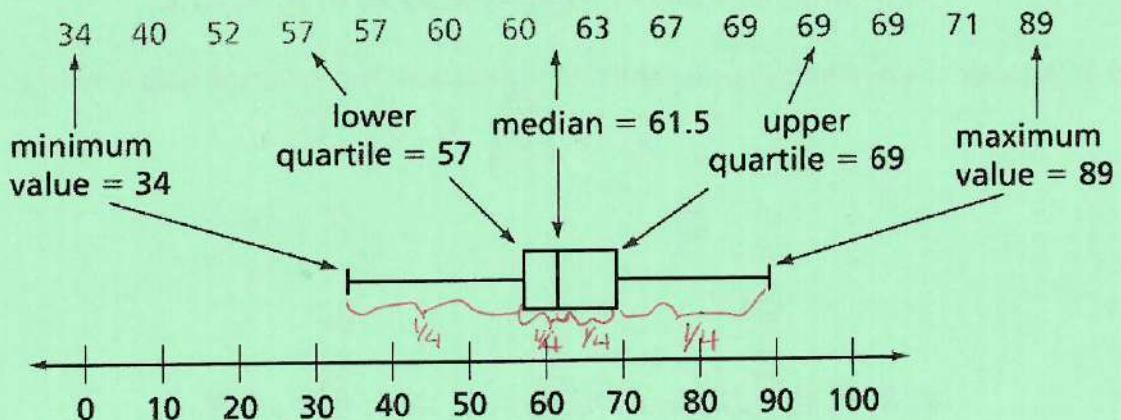
**Q3 – Q1 = Interquartile Range**

$$IQR =$$

$$9 - 5 = 4$$

A **box-and-whisker plot**, or *box plot*, uses five statistical measures: the minimum data value, the lower quartile, the median, the upper quartile, and the maximum data value. These values separate a set of data into four groups with the same number of data values in each group.

The example below shows how these five statistics form a box plot.



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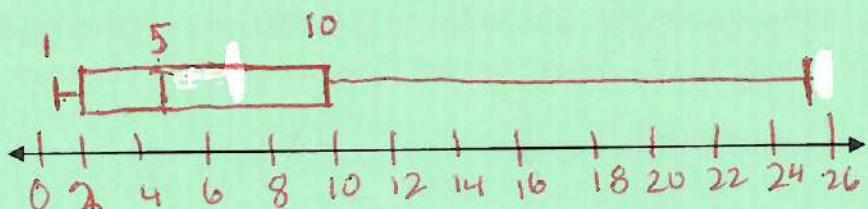
Determine the IQR of this data set:

$$1, 2, 2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 25$$

(2)      (5)      (10)  
 Q1      median      Q3

IQR       $10 - 2 = 8$

Now draw a Box Plot for the data. Label each part (min, max, Q1, median, Q2).



## Lesson 4.5T ~ IQR and Box-and-Whisker Plots

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1. Follow these steps to find the IQR and make the Box Plot for the following data set.

15, 19, 20, 22, 25, 28, 30

a. Find the middle number. Draw a line through this number. Median = 22

b. Find the middle number of the lower half of the data. Circle it. Q1 = 19

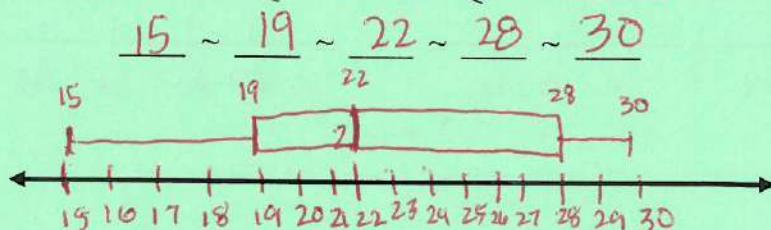
c. Find the middle number of the upper half of the data. Circle it. Q3 = 28

d. Minimum = 15 Maximum = 30

$$\text{IQR} = 9$$

e. Write the five numbers above in the following order, then draw the box plot:

Minimum ~ Q1 ~ Median ~ Q3 ~ Maximum



Find IQR each data set. If necessary, put the numbers in order first. Show work.

2. 32, 39, 41, 45, 48, 50

$$48 - 39 = 9$$

Q1 39 Median 43 Q3 48 IQR 9

3. 65, 68, 72, 72, 77, 81, 82, 92, 98

$$87 - 70$$

Q1 70 Median 77 Q3 87 IQR 17

4. 45, 59, 43, 49, 55, 45, 64, 47

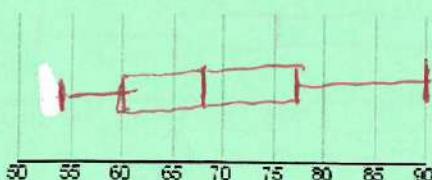
$$43, 45, | 45, 47 | 49, 55 | 59, 64$$

Q1 45 Median 48 Q3 57 IQR 12

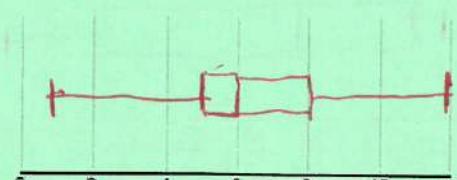
$$57 - 45 = 12$$

Create a box-and-whisker plot for each five-number summary below.

5. Minimum: 54 Maximum: 90  
Q1: 60 Median: 68 Q3: 77



6. Minimum: 1 Maximum: 12  
Q1: 5 Median: 6 Q3: 8



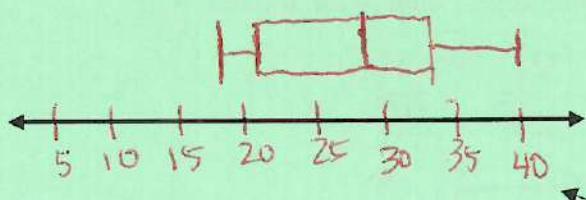
Create a box-and-whisker plot for each set of data. Show work.

7.  $18, 21, 21, 26, \cancel{28}, 30, 31, 35, 40$

median 28

Q1 21 Q3 33

Box-and-whisker plot:



8.  $76, 68, 86, 95, 59, 86, \cancel{79}, 79, 98, 91, 93$

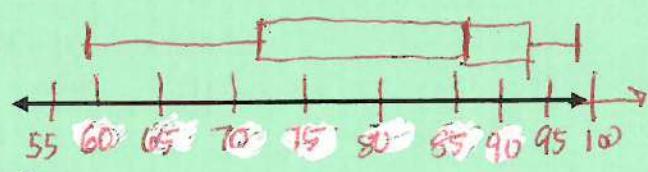
~~59, 68, 76, 79, 86, 86, 91, 95, 98~~

median 86

Q1 72

Q3 93

Box-and-whisker plot:



Choose an appropriate scale and label the axes

The box-and-whisker plot below shows the ages of registered drivers in a city.

9. What is the median driver's age?

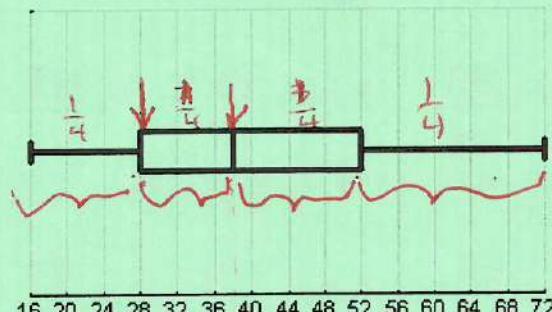
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10. What percent of drivers in this town are over 28 years old?

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11. What is the IQR of this data set?

$$IQR = 52 - 28 = 24$$



Find Q1, Median, Q3, and the IQR for each data set. Then draw a box plot.

12.  $21, 22, 25, \cancel{26}, 30, 32, 35$

$Q1 = 22$  median = 26  $Q3 = 32$

$IQR = 32 - 22 = 10$



13.  $2, 3, \cancel{4}, 5, 10, 13, 13, 15, 20$

$Q1 = 3.5$   $Q3 = 14$

median 10

$IQR = 14 - 3.5 = 10.5$

