

# 2019-20 TEST CORRECTION POLICY FOR AP STATS

**What:** Test corrections allow you to earn back up to one half of the points you missed on every test

**When:** Must be handed in within 1 week (3 class periods) following when the test was returned.

**Why:** To encourage students to learn concepts they did not understand in the assessment.

**How:** You must Prove To Me Without A Doubt that you understand how to do the problem correctly.

**IMPORTANT: I WILL “NOT” GRADE ANY TEST CORRECTIONS THAT ARE**

- COMPLETED WITH MESSY AND DIFFICULT TO READ HANDWRITING. TIP: SKIP LINES AND USE WHITE SPACE.
- DISORGANIZED AND DIFFICULT TO FOLLOW WORK. I’M NOT A CRYPTOLOGIST.

**Here are the guidelines for EVERY problem you want to earn back half of the points you lost (i.e. you do NOT need to correct every problem you missed):**

- 1) ***Label each question and indicate the number of points lost for each question*** (i.e.: I lost 5 points on question MC#4 or FRQ#3a) –
- 2) **REFLECTION:** *Identify in writing what your mistakes were.*
  - This may include a lack of understanding of the question, operational errors, faulty solving method, or something else. **“I was clueless” or any form of this is not an acceptable answer.** Your errors need to be explained.
- 3) **SOLUTION:** *Work out the problem showing step-by-step detail (with accompanying written explanation), arriving at the correct solution.*
  - Steps need to go down in a logical order along with words describing what you are doing in each step.
  - Your solution must be correct in every way. (I.e. every calculations clearly labeled, clearly labeled normal graph, z-scores, answer in context, etc.)
  - **No credit is given for an incorrect solution.** If you are not sure of the solution, set up time with Ms. Groves to review the problem.
- 4) The **above steps must be completed all together** (not on separate pages). Your responses must be **completed in pencil** (or typed).

## Summary

- Neat, clear work stapled to the front of the test.
- Work completed in pencil (or typed) with space between EVERY problem.
- Explanation of what the errors were.
- A detailed solution leading to the correct answer.

**Remember this is an opportunity for you to improve your grade and  
Clearly demonstrate to me your complete understanding of the concepts you missed.**

**Ms. Groves (sep2019)**

## Expectations for Free Response (FRQ)

For Free Response, completely redo the problem showing **every step with explanations** to correctly arrive at the answer(s) required. This means I am expecting **more detail** to prove to me you know how to answer this question and deserve to earn half your points back. Expected details to include:

- For each problem, provide all together (1) Label question # and indicate the number of points lost; (2) reflection; and (3) solution. Clearly skip lines between questions.
- Show work clearly in steps. **Do NOT write in paragraph form.** If necessary, use bullets to show detailed steps.
- From the question, include all of the information needed to correctly do this problem (i.e. statistics, sketch graphs, description of the problem, etc.) I should be able to understand this test correction without having to go back and read the question.
- **Providing all details** that you need to do this problem (**so I do not have to go back and read the question**) is especially important if you only do a part of a FRQ. You will not be required to complete the entire problem but **must treat each sub-question as a stand-alone question.**
- Use appropriate notations to describe **every** number and **label** every calculation.
- When in doubt, provide a clearly labeled normal graph. Also z-scores and describe the distribution i.e.  $N(\mu, \sigma)$ .
- Graphs are sketches but must include scale and labels; and provide a visually clear representation of the data.

## Expectations for Multiple Choice (MC)

For each multiple choice, provide all together (1) Label question # and indicate the number of points lost; (2) reflection; and (3) solution. Clearly skip lines between questions.

**For multiple choice questions, you are explaining the correct choice in complete detail** (and your **reflection is discussing why you made the wrong choice**).

**You can put MC into 3 groups and here is the expected work:**

- 1) **Free Response** (i.e. what percent of women weigh between 120 and 150 pounds?)
  - For these, complete following the FRQ steps outlined above.
- 2) **Vocabulary**
  - For vocabulary questions, you must research the definition(s) and cite your source (i.e. TPS book or Internet).
  - TPS Book: cite the TPS book location(s) you used with the page and paragraph locations.
  - INTERNET: cite the web address. Print the page and tape/glue the relevant portion with the question you are correcting.
  - Then clearly explain the correct definition(s) in the context of the problem.
- 3) **Interpreting data or graphs**
  - From the question, include all of the information needed to correctly do this problem (i.e. statistics, sketch graphs, description of the problem, etc.). **I should be able to understand this test correction without having to go back and read the question.**
  - For graphs, provide a sketch with scale and labels that provide a visually clear representation of the data for you to explain the correct choice.
  - For tables, provide a sketch of the table with the information that is needed to explain the correct choice.
  - Then work out the problem showing step-by-step detail (with accompanying written explanation), arriving at the correct solution. Include in your response, a detailed explanation on how to use the graph or table to answer this question.

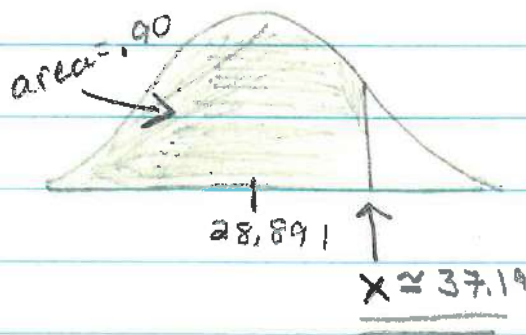
## FRQ - FREE RESPONSE EXAMPLE

**FRQ 1B** I LOST 4 POINTS BECAUSE I DID NOT UNDERSTAND PERCENTILES COMES FROM THE LEFT AND GO TO THE RIGHT. I ALSO MISUNDERSTOOD HOW TO WRITE THE ANSWER IN CONTEXT.

CORRECT SOLUTION FIND THE 90<sup>TH</sup> PERCENTILE FOR WOMEN WHO PARTICIPATED IN A 5 MILE ROAD RACE

① THE DISTRIBUTION  $\rightarrow N(28.891, 6.481)$

② GRAPH



③ FIND Z FOR 90<sup>TH</sup> PERCENTILE  
USE INVNORM(.90, 0, 1)

$$\boxed{Z = 1.28}$$

④ FIND X USING Z SCORE FORMULA:

$$Z = 1.28 = \frac{X - 28.891}{6.481}$$

⑤ THE 90<sup>TH</sup> PERCENTILE FOR WOMEN WHO PARTICIPATED IN A 5 MILE ROAD RACE IS ABOUT 37 MINUTES.

$$X = 1.28(6.481) + 28.891$$

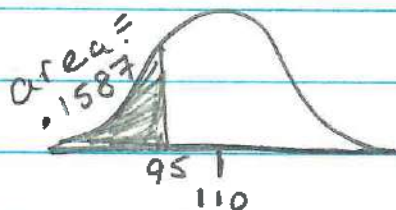
$$\boxed{X \approx 37.187}$$

## MC-FREERESPONSE EXAMPLE

mc#10 I LOST 5 POINTS BECAUSE I DID NOT KNOW HOW TO USE THE NORMAL CDF ON THE CALC. AND I DID NOT CALCULATE THE Z SCORE CORRECTLY.

### CORRECT SOLUTION:

- \* THE QUESTION IS LOOKING AT BIRTHWEIGHTS AT A LOCAL HOSPITAL
- \* THE DISTRIBUTION WAS STATED NORMAL WITH  $\mu = 110\text{oz}$   $\sigma = 15\text{oz}$
- \* THE 1ST STEP IS TO SKETCH THE NORMAL GRAPH AND CALC. Z SCORE



$$Z = \frac{95 - 110}{15}$$

$$Z = -1$$

- \* THE I NEED TO CALC. THE AREA  $P(Z \leq -1) = .1587$  USING NORMALCDF (-E99, -1, 0, 1)

\* ANSWER IN CONTEXT:

ABOUT 16% OF INFANT BIRTH WEIGHT IS UNDER 95oz.

THE CORRECT ANSWER IS (A) 0.159.



## MC - VOCABULARY EXAMPLE

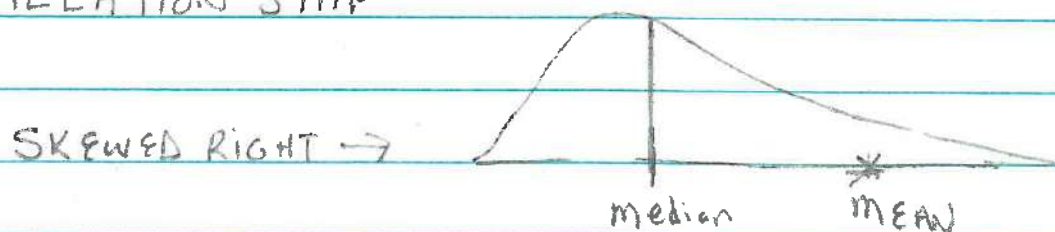
**MC #4** I LOST 5 POINTS BECAUSE I MISUNDERSTOOD HOW THE MEAN AND MEDIAN ARE RELATED TO A RIGHT SKEWED DISTRIBUTION. I REVERSED THE MEAN + MEDIAN AND INCORRECTLY CHOSE (B)

### CORRECT SOLUTION:

TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION, REFER TO TPS4E, PAGE 54, SECTION "COMPARING MEAN AND THE MEDIAN."

IT STATED "IN A SKEWED DISTRIBUTION, THE MEAN IS USUALLY FARTHER OUT IN THE LONG TAIL THAN IS THE MEDIAN."

A GRAPH HELPS SHOW THIS RELATIONSHIP



THE CORRECT ANSWER (C) THE MEAN MUST BE GREATER THAN THE MEDIAN.

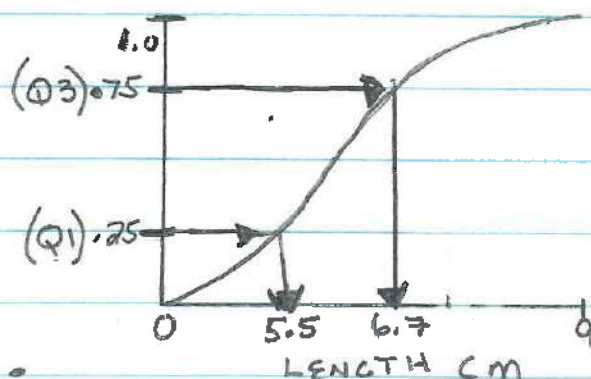
## MC-INTERPRETING DATA OR GRAPHS

MC #3

I LOST 5 POINTS BECAUSE I READ THE QUESTION TOO QUICKLY AND RUSHED THROUGH FINDING  $Q1$  AND  $Q2$ . I ROUNDING THE QUARTILE AND DID NOT FIND IQR. THIS IS WHY I INCORRECTLY ANSWERED (B)

### CORRECT SOLUTION

\* TO FIND THE IQR, I NEED TO USE THE CUM. FREQUENCY GRAPH, SEE THE ARROWS ON THIS GRAPH.



- $Q1$  IS AT 25% W/ LENGTH  $\sim 5.5$  CM
- $Q3$  IS AT 75% W/ LENGTH  $\sim 6.7$  CM
- NOW FIND  $IQR = Q3 - Q1 =$   
 $= 6.7 - 5.5$

$$IQR \approx 1.2 \text{ cm}$$

THE CORRECT ANSWER IS (D) 1.2 centimeters