

# **Quantitative Skills & Reasoning – Math 1001**

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Five Number Summary  
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# Quartiles

- The **lower quartile** (or first quartile) divides the lowest fourth (25%) of a data set from the upper three-fourths. It is the median of the data values in the *lower half* of a data set.
- The **middle quartile** (or second quartile) is the overall median (50%).
- The **upper quartile** (or third quartile) divides the lower three-fourths (75%) of a data set from the upper fourth. It is the median of the data values in the *upper half* of a data set.

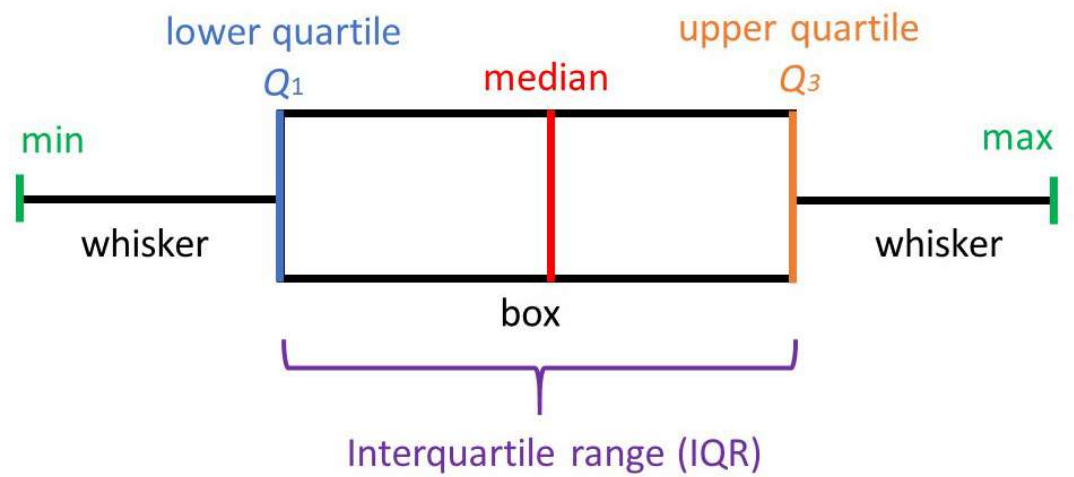
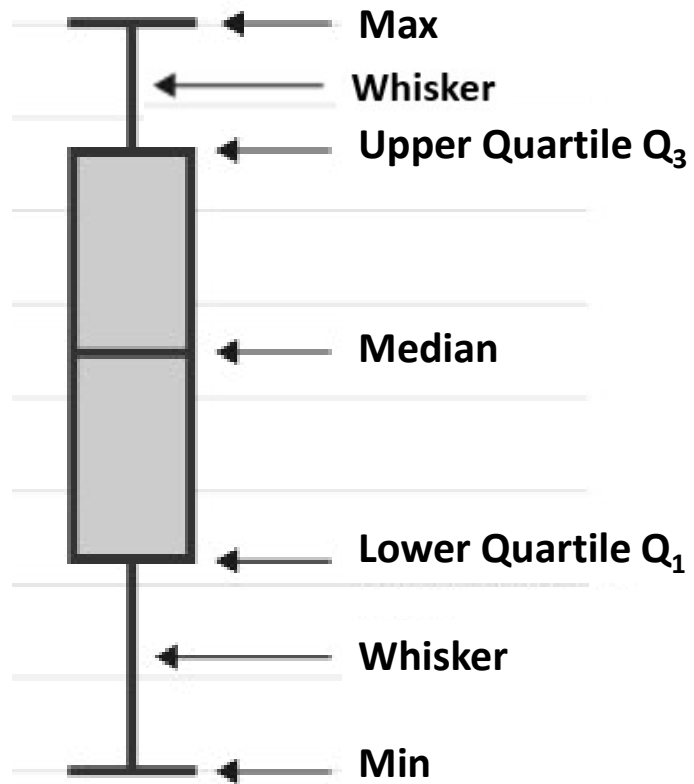
# Five-Number Summary

The **five-number summary** for a data set consists of the following five numbers:

*lowest value   lower quartile   median   upper quartile   highest value*

# Boxplots

A **boxplot** shows the five-number summary visually, with a rectangular box enclosing the lower and upper quartiles, a line marking the median, and whiskers extending to the low and high values.



# Example 1

For the following dataset find complete the table below, then create a boxplot.

A group of students were asked how much they would pay for a meal. Their responses were: \$7.50, \$8.25, \$9.00, \$8.00, \$7.25, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$7.00.

<i>n</i>	Mean ( $\bar{x}$ )	Low Value	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	High Value	Standard Deviation

## Example 1 (cont.)

$$n = 8$$

\$7.00, \$7.25, \$7.50, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$8.00, \$8.25, \$9.00    Sorted Data

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\$7.00 + \$7.25 + \$7.50 + \$7.50 + \$8.00 + \$8.00 + \$8.25 + \$9.00}{8} = \$7.81$$

Lowest value = \$7.00

Highest value = \$9.00

Median =  $\frac{\$7.50 + \$8.00}{2} = \frac{\$15.50}{2} = \$7.75$  (we do this because we have an even number of data values)

## Example 1 (cont.)

$$n = 8$$

\$7.00, \$7.25, \$7.50, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$8.00, \$8.25, \$9.00

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\$7.00 + \$7.25 + \$7.50 + \$7.50 + \$8.00 + \$8.00 + \$8.25 + \$9.00}{8} = \$7.81$$

$$\text{Lower quartile} = \frac{\$7.25 + \$7.50}{2} = \frac{\$14.75}{2} = \$7.38 \text{ (we do this because we have an even number of data values)}$$

$$\text{Upper quartile} = \frac{\$8.00 + \$8.25}{2} = \frac{\$16.25}{2} = \$8.13 \text{ (we do this because we have an even number of data values)}$$

## Example 1 (cont.)

$$n = 8$$

$$\text{standard deviation} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{sum of (deviations from the mean)}^2}{\text{total number of data values} - 1}}$$

\$7.00, \$7.25, \$7.50, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$8.00, \$8.25, \$9.00

$$\bar{x} = \$7.81$$

*Standard Deviation*

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{2.86}{8 - 1}} = 0.64$$

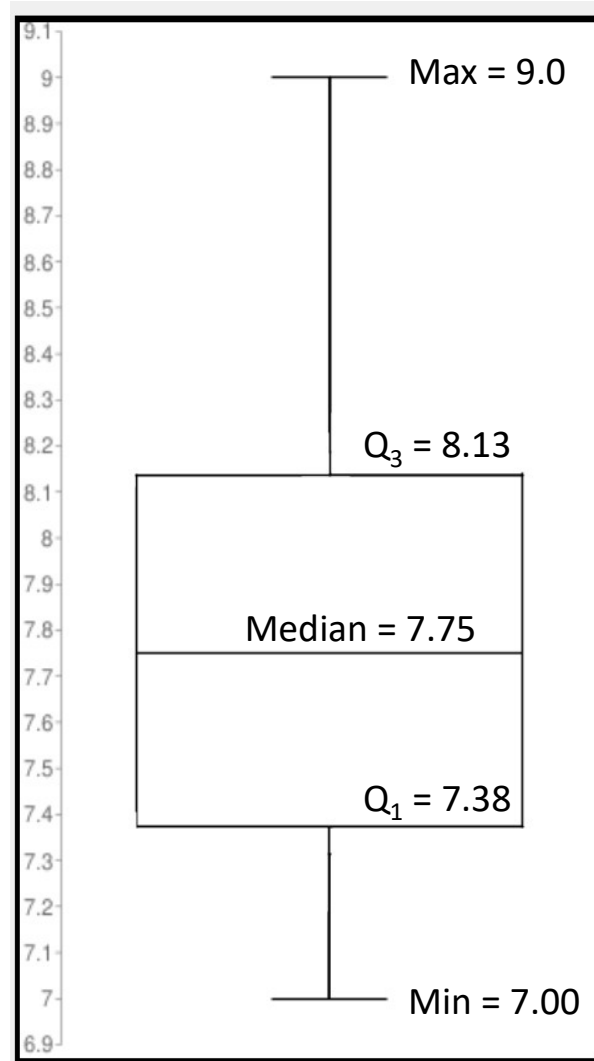
Data value	$(x - \bar{x})^2$
\$7.00	$(7 - 7.81)^2 = 0.66$
\$7.25	$(7.25 - 7.81)^2 = 0.31$
\$7.50	$(7.5 - 7.81)^2 = 0.10$
\$7.50	$(7.5 - 7.81)^2 = 0.10$
\$8.00	$(8 - 7.81)^2 = 0.04$
\$8.00	$(8 - 7.81)^2 = 0.04$
\$8.25	$(8.25 - 7.81)^2 = 0.19$
\$9.00	$(9 - 7.81)^2 = 1.42$
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.86</b>

## Example 1 Continued

\$7.00, \$7.25, \$7.50, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$8.00, \$8.25, \$9.00    Sorted Data

<i>n</i>	Mean ( $\bar{x}$ )	Low Value	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	High Value	Standard Deviation
8	\$ 7.81	\$7.00	\$7.38	\$7.75	\$8.13	\$9.00	\$0.64

## Pay For A Meal



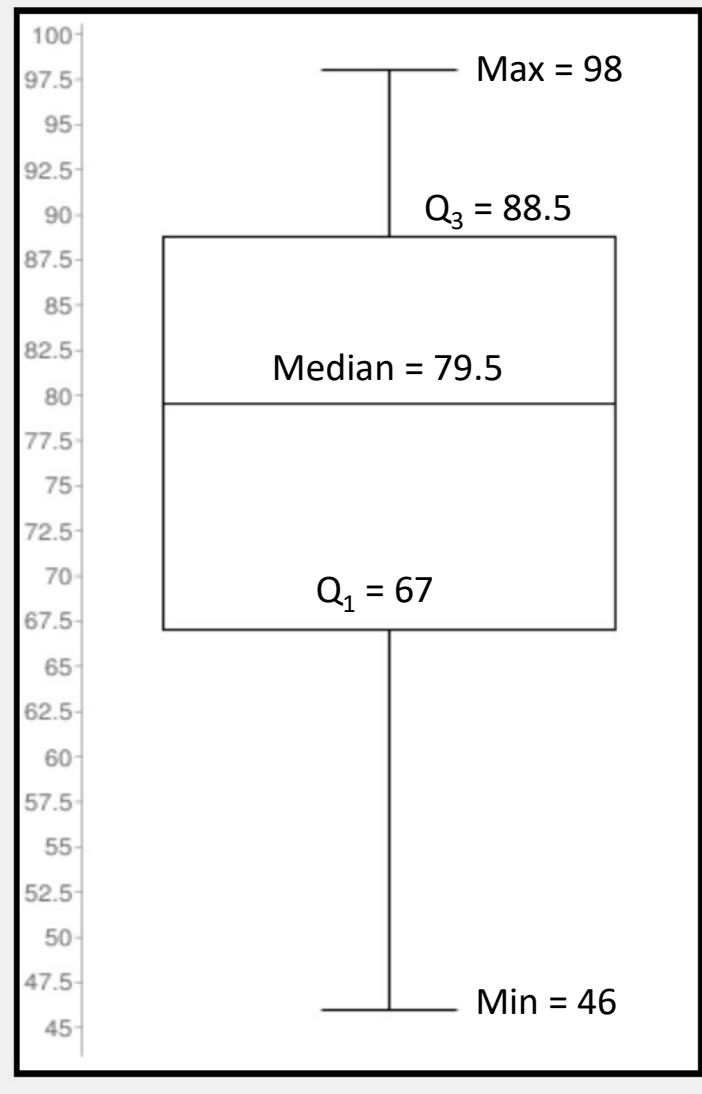
## Example 2

For the following dataset find complete the table below, then create a boxplot.

Suppose that 20 statistics students' scores on an exam are as follows:  
97, 92, 88, 75, 83, 67, 89, 55, 72, 78, 81, 91, 57, 63, 67, 74, 87, 84, 98, 46

<b><i>n</i></b>	<b>Mean (<math>\bar{x}</math>)</b>	<b>Low Value</b>	<b>Lower Quartile</b>	<b>Median</b>	<b>Upper Quartile</b>	<b>High Value</b>	<b>Standard Deviation</b>
20	77.2	46	67	79.5	88.5	98	14.52

## Statistics Students' Scores



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### Test 1 Grades

17	70	95
36	70	95
38	75	100
40	77	100
45	78	100
52	80	100
57	83	100
63	85	100
64	85	100
65.5	90	
65.5	90	

**Sample size: 31**  
**Median: 78**  
**Minimum: 17**  
**Maximum: 100**  
**First quartile: 63**  
**Third quartile: 95**  
**Interquartile Range: 32**  
**Outliers: none**

