Unit 1A: Characteristics & Properties of Angles

**Topic:** Types of Studies

**Things to Remember:**
- **Observational Study** - Gathering information by OBSERVING, but not affecting the outcome.
- **Experimental Study** - Gathering information by using a TREATMENT.
- **Sample Survey** - Gathering information by ASKING people's opinions.

**Examples:**
1. Xavier wonders about the effects of listening to classical music while studying. He randomly assigns students to listen to classical music while they study and another group to study in a quiet room. What type of study is he performing? 

   **Experiment** - the treatment is the music

2. Kayla wonders if athletes perform better in Math or Language Arts classes. She recruits 50 athletes from her school to take a basic test in each subject and compares results. What type of study is she performing? 

   **Observational** - test did not change results

3. Hunter wonders what cafeteria food high school students prefer. He goes around the lunch room during all 4 lunch periods and randomly asks 50 students in each what their preference is. What type of study is he performing? 

   **Observational** - sample survey

4. Mrs. Brattebo wants to know if her dogs would bark less if they are placed in their kennels. One night she lets them stay out of the kennel and counts how many times her dogs bark that night. The next night, she places her dogs in their kennels and counts how many times her dogs bark. She compares the number of times the dogs bark from both nights. **Experiment** - treatment is the kennel. **P.S.** I would NEVER let my pups sleep in a kennel.

**Topic:** Vocabulary

**Things to Remember:**
- **Individuals** - The objects described by a set of data.
- **Variables** - Any characteristic of an individual.
- **Quantitative** - Variable that takes a numerical value and averaging makes sense.
- **Categorical** - Variable that places an individual into one of several groups or categories.
- **Population** - The entire group of individuals that we want to study.
- **Sample** - A part of the population.
- **Census** - A sample survey that attempts to include the ENTIRE population in the sample.

**Examples:**

On the first day of school, Ms. Brattebo asked her 32 students various questions.

5. What were the individuals in this SURVEY?

   **Students**

6. What was the sample in the SURVEY?

   **32 Students**
7. List 4 possible questions she could have asked that would yield **quantitative** variables.

| 1. Age |
| 2. Quiz grade |
| 3. Height |
| 4. # of siblings |

8. List 4 possible questions she could have asked that would yield **categorical** data.

| 1. Zip code |
| 2. Phone number |
| 3. Favorite color |
| 4. Dominant hand |

9. What's the difference between a population and a sample?

- **Population** is the whole
- **Sample** is a piece of the whole

10. Would it make sense to do a census to ask ALL the students at Wheeler High School their favorite color? Why or why not?

- Census-Ask everyone at Wheeler
- This doesn't make sense. 2000+ students is too many.

**Topic:** Statistical Problem-Solving Process

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**Examples:**

11. What are the 4 steps of the statistical problem-solving process?

1. **Aska question**
2. **Produce data**
3. **Analyze data**
4. **Interpret results/draw conclusions**

12. Psychologists designed a study involving 47 creative writers. Students were divided into two groups. The students in one group were given a list of statements about external reasons for writing, like public recognition, making money, or pleasing their parents. Students in the other group were given a list of statements about internal reasons for writing, such as expressing yourself and enjoying working with words. Both groups were then instructed to write a poem that would be rated.

a) What was the sample?

**47 creative writers**

b) State a question of interest that can be answered using the dot plot.

**Do creative writers perform better after being given internal or external rewards?**

c) What type of study was this?

**Experiment- the treatment is the type of reward**
Here's the data collected during this study:

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(c) Analyze the data (what do you notice?):

Internal rewards had the highest rating. External rewards had the lowest rating. Internal rewards were closer together than external. (Many answers for this question)

d) Interpret the results (draw a conclusion):

I think creative writers perform better with internal rewards because the data tends to score higher and someone had a perfect rating with an internal reward.

Calculating %:

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\frac{\text{# of Individuals}}{\text{total}} \times 100
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How many?

% converted to a decimal

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\frac{\%}{100} \times \text{total}
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*the first person to tell me that Alma and Feta (yes Feta like the cheese) are the cutest dogs ever—gets a piece of candy.

♥ Mrs. B