



H19-10min Estimating from Samples (Higher): 10-minute Pack

EDEXCEL 1ST0 · Calculator allowed · about 10 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Answer ALL questions. Show all your working.

- 1** A bakery takes a random sample of 10 loaves from a batch of 4500 loaves baked in one day. The mass, in grams, of each loaf in the sample is:

812, 805, 798, 810, 807, 795, 802, 809, 800, 806

- (a) Work out the mean mass of the loaves in the sample. (2)

- (b) Estimate the total mass, in kg, of all 4500 loaves in the batch. (2)

(Total for Question 1 is 4 marks)

- 2** A PE teacher records the time, in seconds, taken by a sample of 15 pupils to run 100 m. The times, in order, are:

13.1, 13.4, 13.6, 13.9, 14.0, 14.2, 14.3, 14.5, 14.7, 14.9, 15.0, 15.3, 15.6, 15.9, 16.4

The school has 480 pupils in the year group.

- (a) Find the median running time for this sample. (1)

- (b) Use the median to estimate how many of the 480 pupils in the year group ran 100 m in under 14.5 seconds. (3)

(Total for Question 2 is 4 marks)

3 A student wants to estimate the average number of hours per week that adults in her town spend exercising. She plans to stand outside a gym on a weekday morning and ask people leaving the gym how many hours they exercise each week.

(a) Give one reason why this sample of gym-goers is unlikely to be representative of all adults in the town. (1)

(b) Give two ways the student could improve her sampling method so that it better represents all adults in the town. (2)

(Total for Question 3 is 3 marks)

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Question 1

- (a) **M1** $(812+805+798+810+807+795+802+809+800+806) / 10$, oe
- (a) **A1** 804.4 (g) cao
- (a) **Answer: 804.4 g**
- (b) **M1** 804.4×4500 , oe (ft their mean from (a))
- (b) **A1** 3619.8 (kg) cao
- (b) **Answer: 3619.8 kg**

Question 2

- (a) **B1** 14.5 (seconds) cao
- (a) **Answer: 14.5 seconds**
- (b) **M1** identifies that 7 of the 15 sample times are less than 14.5 (the median itself is the 8th value, not below it)
- (b) **M1** $7/15 \times 480$, oe
- (b) **A1** 224 cao
- (b) **Answer: 224**

Question 3

- (a) **B1** people leaving a gym are likely to exercise more than a typical adult in the town, so the sample is biased towards people who already exercise regularly, oe
- (a) **Answer: The sample only includes gym-goers, who probably exercise more than typical adults in the town.**
- (b) **B1** select a random sample of adults from across the whole town (e.g. from the electoral register), not just gym users, oe
- (b) **B1** survey people at a range of different times and locations across the town, not only one place at one time, oe
- (b) **Answer: Take a random sample of adults from across the whole town, and sample at a range of times and locations.**