

## Stem and Leaf – Computer Participant Page

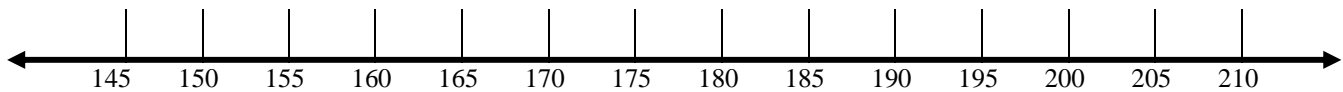
1. Open the Stem and Leaf Plotter on the computer.  
**<http://www.shodor.org/interactivate/activities/stemleaf/index.html>**
2. Enter the data as the presenter calls it out in the box titled: “Enter data.” Then select “Update Plot.”
3. Sketch your stem and leaf plot below.

The screenshot shows the 'Stem and Leaf Plotter' web application. At the top, there is a green banner with the title 'Stem and Leaf Plotter' in a cursive font. Below the banner are three buttons labeled 'what?', 'how?', and 'why?'. The main area contains a large empty box for the plot, with a dropdown menu labeled 'Vertical Plot' in the top right corner. Below the plot area, there is an 'Enter data:' text box and an 'Update Plot' button. To the right, under 'Calculate these values:', there are three input boxes for 'Mean:', 'Median:', and 'Mode(s):', along with 'Check Answers' and 'Show Answers' buttons. At the bottom, a text box contains the following information: 'Stem and Leaf Plotter retrieved 10/29/05 from <http://www.shodor.org/interactivate/activities/stemleaf/index.html>'.

4. Estimate the values of the mean, median, and mode(s). Enter your estimates in the boxes. Then select “Check answers.”
5. The stems are the values found to the left of the vertical line on the stem and leaf plot. Where do these values come from?
6. The leaves are the values found to the right of the vertical line on the stem and leaf plot. Where do these values come from?
7. If you turned the stem and leaf plot horizontally, what type of graph would it resemble? Use the drop down menu to select Horizontal Plot. Does this verify your prediction?

## Box and Whisker Plot – Participant Page

I. Create a box and whisker plot that represents the flat-footed heights of the participants. Fill in the appropriate values in the table for the flat-footed heights.



		Flat-footed height	Tiptoe height
minX	<b>Minimum</b>		
Q <sub>1</sub>	<b>Lower Quartile</b>		
Med	<b>Median</b>		
Q <sub>3</sub>	<b>Upper Quartile</b>		
maxX	<b>Maximum</b>		
$\bar{x}$	<b>Mean</b>		
maxX-minX	<b>Range</b>		

II. Using the number line above, create a box and whisker plot that represents the tiptoe heights of the participants. Create the plot above the flat-footed plot. Then fill in the appropriate values in the table for the tiptoe heights.

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1. Open the Virtual Manipulatives website. <http://nlvm.usu.edu/en/nav/vlibrary.html>
  - Click on Data Analysis and Probability Grades 6-8.
  - Click on Box Plot.
  - Click on Clear in the lower left corner to clear the list of data.
2. Using your Stem and Leaf Activity Page, enter the shortest height first.
3. Using your Stem and Leaf Activity Page, enter the tallest height second.
4. Continue by entering heights from the lower 50% of the data. Why does the “box” shift as more values are entered? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Predict what will happen to the graph as the remainders of the class heights are entered.  
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6. Verify your prediction by entering the upper 50% of the data. More cells will automatically be created as you need them. Was your prediction correct? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What is the minimum value of data? \_\_\_\_\_ Where do you see this on the graph?  
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8. What is the maximum value of data? \_\_\_\_\_ Where do you see this on the graph?  
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9. About 75% of the class is taller than what height? \_\_\_\_\_
10. About 50% of the class is shorter than what height? \_\_\_\_\_
11. What is the median height? \_\_\_\_\_ Where do you see this on the graph? \_\_\_\_\_  
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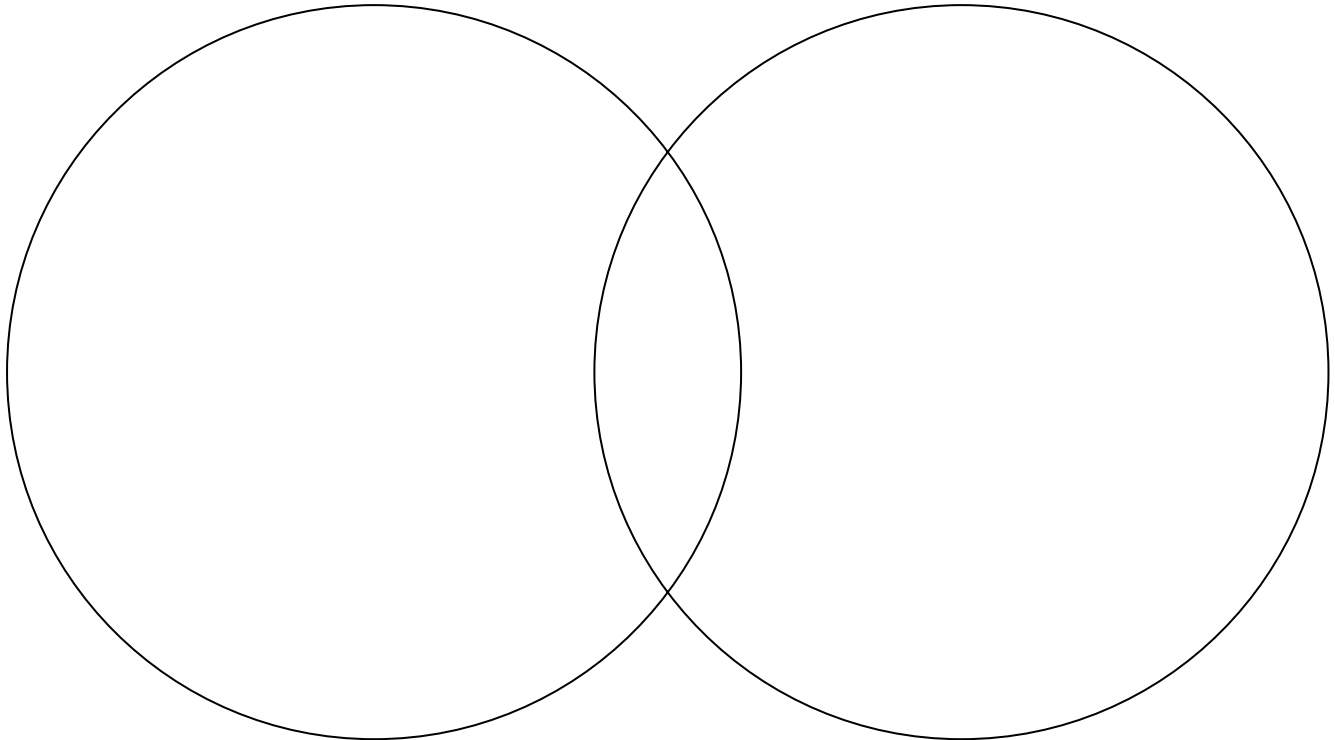
Experiment with the data on the computer to answer the following questions. Record your solutions below.

12. Add some data that will change the minimum value. What data did you add? Why did this data change the minimum value?
13. Add some data that will change the maximum value. What data did you add? Why did this data change the maximum value?
14. Add some data that will shift the median to the left. What data did you add? Why did this data shift the median to the left?
15. Add some data that will shift the median to the right. What data did you add? Why did this data shift the median to the right?
16. Add some data that will cause the whiskers to be equal in length. What data did you add? Why did this data create whiskers of equal length?
17. Add some data that will cause the box sections to be equal in length. What data did you add? Why did this data create box sections of equal length?
18. Add some data that will cause the right whisker to be about twice the length of the left whisker. What data did you add? Why did this happen?
19. Generate a list of new data that will allow the average to fall in the whiskers. Why did the average fall in the whiskers?

## Venn Diagram – Participant Page

Stem and Leaf Plots

Box and Whisker  
Plots



## Explore/Explain 1 - Intentional Use of Data

TEKS	Math	
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Question(s) to Pose to Students	Math	
	Tech Apps	
Cognitive Rigor	Knowledge	
	Understanding	
	Application	
	Analysis	
	Evaluation	
Data Source(s)	Creation	
	Real-Time	
	Archival	
	Categorical	
Setting	Numerical	
	Computer Lab	
	Mini-Lab	
	One Computer	
	Graphing Calculator	
Bridge to the Classroom	Measurement Based Data	