

## Data Analysis and Research Questions

### Topic 1: School Safety and Bullying

File: schoolSafety\_dataset .csv

#### Introductory Resources:

- Bullying facts from the National Assoc. of School Psychologists:  
[http://www.nasponline.org/resources/factsheets/bullying\\_fs.aspx](http://www.nasponline.org/resources/factsheets/bullying_fs.aspx)
- More facts about bullying: <http://facts.randomhistory.com/facts-about-bullying.html>
- Youth Online: View state data. Select a state, click “GO”. Filter the data by selecting the Health Topic “Unintentional Injuries and Violence.” View the Table or Graph by selecting the appropriate tab: <http://apps.nccd.cdc.gov/YouthOnline/App/Default.aspx> . Focus on the questions related to bullying.
- See the state-by-state grades for anti-bullying laws: <http://www.bulypolice.org/>
- YouTube video: You Are You <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l8ovOA7VhFo>  
CAUTION: Preview before showing to evaluate suitability for your classroom.

#### Data analysis

See **DataSet\_Quest-Ans\_Codes.doc** for survey questions and answer codes.

1. What percentage of students has been bullied at school?  
Electronically?
2. What is the range of days that students felt threatened at school?  
What is the mean?
3. How many students who have felt unsafe at school have talked to a teacher about it?
4. Who (age, gender) is most likely to get help with bullying?

#### Possible research questions

1. How does experiencing bullying impact one’s willingness to help others being bullied?
2. What support strategies could be used to help victims of bullying?
3. How does intervening with bullies impact the bullies’ behavior?
4. Does the number of close friends a person have, impact the likelihood of being a victim?
5. What strategies defuse bullying?
6. What motivates bullies? Are there “trigger events?”

### Topic 2: Exercise and Health

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#### Introductory Resources:

- FitWebMD: <http://fit.webmd.com/teen/move/article/exercise-personality>
  - Play Bubble Rubble with Chicken Dawg
  - What’s your Exercise Personality?
  - Go From Couch to 5K in just 8 Weeks
- Physical activity recommendations:

<p><a href="http://www.cdc.gov/physicalactivity/everyone/guidelines/children.html">http://www.cdc.gov/physicalactivity/everyone/guidelines/children.html</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth Online: View state data. Select a state, click “GO”. Filter the data by selecting the Health Topic “Physical Activity.” View the Table or Graph by selecting the appropriate tab. <a href="http://nccd.cdc.gov/YouthOnline/">http://nccd.cdc.gov/YouthOnline/</a></li> <li>Rewards and benefits of exercise: <a href="http://kidshealth.org/teen/food_fitness/exercise/exercise_wise.html#cat20133">http://kidshealth.org/teen/food_fitness/exercise/exercise_wise.html#cat20133</a></li> </ul>	
<p><b>Data analysis</b></p> <p>See <b>DataSet_Quest-Ans_Codes.doc</b> for survey questions and answer codes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many students report being active for 60 minutes on 5 or more of the past 7 days?</li> <li>Which students (age, gender) are most likely to get 8+ hours of sleep?</li> <li>How is eating breakfast related to one’s description of their weight?</li> <li>Rank the popularity/frequency of the various physical activities?</li> <li>Compare the frequency of playing video games with being active 60 minutes or more on 5+ of the past 7 days.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Possible research questions</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does getting more sleep improve students’ activity levels?</li> <li>What exercise activities do teenagers engage in that are likely to be continued for more than 1 year?</li> <li>How does a family’s activity level impact the student’s activity level?</li> <li>What role do friends have in maintaining consistent activity levels?</li> <li>How does participation in a sports team impact diet?</li> <li>Are active students healthier than inactive students? Are they happier?</li> </ol>
<p><b>Topic 3: Teens, Social Media, and Online Behavior</b></p> <p>File: Mobilize_MediaBehavior_2011.csv</p>	
<p><b>Introductory Resources:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Video Social Media Helps Teens See Other’s Needs: <a href="http://www.webpronews.com/social-media-teens-others-needs-2012-02">http://www.webpronews.com/social-media-teens-others-needs-2012-02</a></li> <li>Social Media, Social Life – What Do Teens Think About Twitter And Facebook? [INFOGRAPHIC] <a href="http://www.mediabistro.com/alltwitter/social-media-teens_b24749">http://www.mediabistro.com/alltwitter/social-media-teens_b24749</a></li> <li>Video Tagged (cyber bullying) Teens and Social Media <a href="http://planningwithkids.com/2011/09/30/teens-and-social-media/">http://planningwithkids.com/2011/09/30/teens-and-social-media/</a> Includes teaching resources: <a href="http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/tagged/teenagers.htm">http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/tagged/teenagers.htm</a></li> <li>An Analytical Take on Youth, Social Networking, and Web 2.0: A Few Moments with Amanda Lenhart <a href="http://dmlcentral.net/newsletter/05/2012/analytical-take-youth-social-networking-and-web-20-few-moments-amanda-lenhart">http://dmlcentral.net/newsletter/05/2012/analytical-take-youth-social-networking-and-web-20-few-moments-amanda-lenhart</a></li> <li>Teens, kindness and cruelty on social network sites: <a href="http://www.pewinternet.org/2011/11/09/teens-kindness-and-cruelty-on-social-network-sites/">http://www.pewinternet.org/2011/11/09/teens-kindness-and-cruelty-on-social-network-sites/</a></li> </ul>	

<p><b>Data analysis</b></p> <p>See <b>DataSet_Quest-Ans_Codes.doc</b> for survey questions and answer codes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Which privacy setting is most common?</li> <li>2. What percentage of students has posted something they thought might reflect badly in the future?</li> <li>3. What is the average number of text messages students send and receive?</li> <li>4. Which gender has the most positive view of the kindness of others online?</li> <li>5. How many students have been treated cruelly online?</li> </ol>	<p><b>Possible research questions</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the relationship between students who are most careful with their online presence and their kindness factor?</li> <li>2. Are students who spend lots of time online more or less likely to join other organizations?</li> <li>3. What is the relationship between the time spent online in social settings and time spent socializing offline?</li> <li>4. What is the relationship between time spent on social media and academic success?</li> <li>5. Which is more enduring, online relationships or physical relationships?</li> <li>6. How important is honesty in online relationships? Are some online relationships more prone to honesty than others?</li> </ol>
<p><b>Topic 4: Teens, Video Games, and Civic Engagement</b></p> <p>File: Mobilize_GamesCivic_2008_xformed.csv</p>	
<p><b>Introductory Resources:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 22 Charts &amp; Graphs on Video Games &amp; Youth Violence <a href="http://videogames.procon.org/view.resource.php?resourceID=003627">http://videogames.procon.org/view.resource.php?resourceID=003627</a></li> <li>• How much do you know about video games <a href="http://www.esrb.org/about/video-game-industry-statistics.jsp">http://www.esrb.org/about/video-game-industry-statistics.jsp</a></li> <li>• Video game stats <a href="http://www.onlineeducation.net/videogame">http://www.onlineeducation.net/videogame</a></li> <li>• Video: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVjUr2zXtb4">Do video games cause violence in kids? Interesting facts and data</a></li> <li>• <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVjUr2zXtb4">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVjUr2zXtb4</a></li> </ul>	
<p><b>Data analysis</b></p> <p>See <b>DataSet_Quest-Ans_Codes.doc</b> for survey questions and answer codes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 How many engage in civic activities?</li> <li>2. What percentage of students believe it is important to be involved in improving their community?</li> <li>3. What is the most popular game type (fighting, puzzles, races, etc.)?</li> <li>4. Create a word cloud of favorite games. Which names appear most</li> </ol>	<p><b>Possible research questions</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Are social-media-using students more or less socially aware of the needs of others?</li> <li>2. Which social media venues foster the greatest tendency to get involved in charitable activities?</li> <li>3. What types of games seem to promote more civic engagement?</li> <li>4. How does parental involvement in the students' game playing influence the choice of games students play?</li> <li>5. What is the relationship between accepting people from different backgrounds and playing video games?</li> <li>6. What is the relationship between playing video games and crime or other anti-social behavior at school or in the</li> </ol>

often? 5. What is the relationship between the frequency someone plays games and how often he/she help or guide others?	community?
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