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Show your calculations.

$$\frac{680 000}{15} = 45,333$$
2. John looks at the table and says, “The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year.”

   a. What mistake has John made?

   He just saw the annual salary and saw that 30,000 was there twice what he didn’t see was the number of people that get paid that much.

   b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

   $30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

   $40,000

   b. Explain how you figured it out.

   Well I put the annual salary counting number of people in order. 30, 30, 30, 30, 30, 30, 30, 40, 40, 40, 50, 50, 50, 60, 80, 80, 100 then just crossed out the numbers.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

   Explain your answer.

   Because it makes people believe that you are going to get paid at 45,333 because that’s what most people are making.

5. Last year, TechScale did not do very well so Suzi decided not to pay herself any salary for a year.

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Total: $545,000

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\[
\frac{545000}{15} \approx 36333.33
\]
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

a. What mistake has John made?

John only looked at one column when he needed to find out how many of each salary is paid.

b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

$30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

$40,000

b. Explain how you figured it out.

I lined up the numbers in order then found the 7th number in line and that is the median.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

Median

Because the measure of central tendency is higher than the others in this case.

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\[
\frac{100,000 + 80,000 + 80,000 + 150,000 + 80,000 + 150,000 + 40,000}{15} = \frac{\$680,000}{15} = \$45,333.33
\]
2. John looks at the table and says, “The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year.”

   a. What mistake has John made?
   
   **This mistake was that he counted it only for one person and not for others.**

   b. What is the correct mode of the salary?  
   
   **$150,000**

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?  

   b. Explain how you figured it out.
   
   **First I put the numbers in order from smallest to largest and then found what number is in the middle of the set of numbers.**

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?  

   *Explain your answer.*

   **The median number **$150,000** shows about the averages at TechScale.**

5. Last year, TechScale did not do very well so Suzi decided not to pay herself any salary for a year.

   Which of the averages (mean, median and mode) will **not** change?

   **The mode and the median.**
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\[
\frac{590 000}{15} = 39333.3
\]
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

a. What mistake has John made?

John did the mode because $80,000 has 3 salary as a total x 0

b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

$80,000 x 0

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

$50,000 x 0

b. Explain how you figured it out.

In the ANNUAL SALARY column $100,000 is the largest and $20,000 is the smallest then you go to the second smallest and biggest and so on till you get to the middle.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

$80,000 / 16

Because you have 2 out of 15 chance to get $80,000 x 0

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2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

a. What mistake has John made?

He did the total cost of the job and didn't go by the number of people and the annual salary. $30,000

b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

$30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

$40,000

b. Explain how you figured it out.

I took the number of people there was for their annual salary and lined them up.
Example: 100,000, 80,000, 80,000, 50,000, 50,000, 50,000, 40,000, 40,000, 30,000, 30,000, 30,000, 20,000, 20,000

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

Explain your answer.

Because, that's the highest prices there is, when you use, the mean, median and mode.

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\[ \frac{680000}{15} = 45,333 \]
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

a. What mistake has John made?

He didn't look at the number of people who make that much money, he just looked at the total. ☑

b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

30,000 ☑

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

40,000 ☑

b. Explain how you figured it out.

I put the numbers in order from least to greatest, then I found the middle number. That's the answer.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

Mean ☑

Explain your answer.

Because it's the highest number out of all of them and that would be better to advertise or whatever you want to do with it. ☑

5. Last year, TechScale did not do very well so Suzi decided not to pay herself any salary for a year.

Which of the averages (mean, median and mode) will not change?

The mode because it is still the highest number no matter what. ☑
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\[
\frac{680,000}{15} = \underline{45,333.33}
\]
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

   a. What mistake has John made?
   
   One of the eighty thousand dollars is divided between 2 people. x o

   b. What is the correct mode of the salary?
   
   80,000 x o

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

   b. Explain how you figured it out.

   Put them in order and find the number in the middle. x o

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

   Explain your answer.
   
   The mean is 45,333. The median is 50,000.
   The mode is 80,000. The mode shows the average. x

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$\frac{55,333}{15}$
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

   a. What mistake has John made?
   
   John forgot to break up the totals by number of people. He forgot that each total salary is more than just one person.
   
   b. What is the correct mode of the salary?
   
   $30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

   $40,000

   b. Explain how you figured it out.

   I broke up the salaries by the number of people that were in them. Then I (with my fingers) went from the outside to the center.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

   Mean

   Explain your answer.

   Because it is the highest number.

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1. b. Use your answer to question 1a to calculate the mean annual salary for the 15 employees in the company. Give your answer correct to the nearest $.

\[
\text{Mean} = \frac{\sum \text{Annual Salary}}{\text{Number of Employees}} = \frac{453,660}{15} = 30,244. \text{Rounded to the nearest $, it is $45,360.10.}
\]

Show your calculations.

\[
\begin{align*}
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\underline{680,000} \\
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\]
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."
   a. What mistake has John made?
      John just looked to see which number showed up the most times on the table.
      
   b. What is the correct mode of the salary?
      \$30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?
   b. Explain how you figured it out.
      I just added up all the numbers of salary together and I got the sum of \$680,000

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?
   Explain your answer.
   Because it shows all the numbers added together as one big number.

5. Last year, TechScale did not do very well so Suzi decided not to pay herself any salary for a year.
   Which of the averages (mean, median and mode) will not change?
   Mode
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\[
\text{Mean} = \frac{\text{Total Salary}}{\text{Number of Employees}} = \frac{60000}{15} = \$4000
\]

Show your calculations.
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

   a. What mistake has John made?

      He didn't look at the amount of people that made each salary. He just looked at what kind of job made it.

   b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

      $30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

      $40,000

   b. Explain how you figured it out.

      I took the #':s and placed them from least to greatest and found the middle #.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

   Mean

   Explain your answer.

   It has the highest #':s of the mean, med. + mode.

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   Median + mode ×
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$45,333.00
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

a. What mistake has John made?

Because it is not how many make that much 180,000-4 30,000-5

b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

30,000 ✓

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

150,000 x 0

b. Explain how you figured it out.

You just look and see x 0

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

Median ✓

Because if you want people to work there, you use the most 1st which is the median ✓

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\[
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\[
\text{Mean} \approx \$45,333.33
\]

$\_ \shout{97,143} \_ 0$
2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

a. What mistake has John made?

I don't think he made a mistake, the mode is $80,000.

b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

$50,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

b. Explain how you figured it out.

I put the #s in order from least to greatest and found the one in the middle.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

Explain your answer.

Because it shows you the average salary.

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$38667 \times 0$

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2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

a. What mistake has John made?

He saw that there were 3 80's and only 1 of everything else but you actually have to look in the "Number of People" column to find that answer.

b. What is the correct mode of the salary?

\$30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

\$40,000

b. Explain how you figured it out.

First you would start at the bottom and look how many people there are and you would take that many off the top until you get to the middle.

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

Explain your answer.

There are 6 more salaries that are almost all double of 40 thousand but there are nine close to it below 40.

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   a. What mistake has John made?
   
   John just looked at the total pay for each position and thought that because 2 of the totals were $80,000 it was the mode when actually only 2 people make that much money.  
   
   b. What is the correct mode of the salary?
   
   $30,000

3. a. What is the median annual salary at TechScale?

   b. Explain how you figured it out.

   I ordered the annual salaries from least to greatest and wrote each dollar amount the same number of times as the people who make that much money. I then eliminated the number on the end until I found the number in the middle.

   $40,000

4. Which of the three averages, mean, median or mode, would you use to show that the average wage at TechScale is very good?

   Explain your answer.

   Because it is higher than the mode or median and gives the impression that the average pay is higher.

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\[
\frac{100 000 + 80 000 + 80 000 + 150 000 + 80 000 + 160 000 + 60 000}{15} \approx \$660 000
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2. John looks at the table and says, "The mode of the salary at TechScale is eighty thousand dollars a year."

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He did not count how many people had these salaries.

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Mean

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Mean is the same thing as average.

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