The Mean Average

The mean average is the total divided by how many there are

Example

Day of the week	Glasses of lemonade drank
Monday	1
Tuesday	3
Wednesday	1
Thursday	4
Friday	4
Saturday	6
Sunday	2

The table shows the number of glasses of lemonade a student drank each day. What is the mean number of glasses drank?

ANSWER:
Add up the numbers:
1 + 3 + 1 + 4 + 4 + 6 + 2 = 21
This gives us the total amount of glasses of lemonade that were drank in the week.

There are 7 numbers/days, so divide the total by 7:
21 ÷ 7 = 3

So 3 glasses is the mean average number of glasses of lemonade the student drank each day.

Have a go!

This table shows the number of biscuits a student ate each day for a week.

What is the mean average number of biscuits eaten each day?

Day of the week	Biscuits eaten
Monday	4
Tuesday	6
Wednesday	1
Thursday	4
Friday	3
Saturday	7
Sunday	3