# Data ManagementData DetectivesUnit 1 Line Master 19aCracking Consumer Choices

#### **Cellphone Searching**

1. Christopher is researching data on new cell phones. They found review data for a particular phone on a brand's website.

| Number of Stars | Percent of Reviews |  |  |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|
| *               | 18%                |  |  |
| **              | 10%                |  |  |
| ***             | 17%                |  |  |
| ****            | 19%                |  |  |
| ****            | 36%                |  |  |

- a) If 2000 people recently bought that phone, calculate to predict how many you would expect to give five-star reviews.
- b) What assumptions did you make in your prediction?
- c) Do you think this is a reasonable prediction? What biases might impact the accuracy of your prediction? Explain your thinking.

#### Laptop Batteries

- 2. Thirty laptops of a particular brand had their battery life tested. Chet is hoping to find a laptop that has a battery life of at least 14 hours.
  - a) The first five results were 10.5, 13.2, 9.8, 14.9 and 11.7 hours. How does this sample compare to Chet's requirement?
  - b) What recommendation might you make based on this sample?

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c) The table below shows the data, in hours, for all 30 laptops tested.

| 10.5  | 13.2 | 9.8   | 14.9 | 11.7  |
|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| 14.5  | 9    | 10.25 | 8    | 14.8  |
| 15.7  | 16.1 | 10.5  | 15   | 14.5  |
| 13.9  | 14.1 | 14.2  | 12.5 | 16    |
| 15    | 12   | 10    | 15   | 14.7  |
| 12.25 | 18   | 15.5  | 9.5  | 10.75 |

How does this sample compare to Chet's requirement?

d) Would you change your recommendation based on this larger sample? Explain your thinking.

### Collectible Cards

- 3. A deck of collectible cards contains three types of cards: base cards, rare cards, and ultrarare cards.
  - a) Someone says that there is about a 33% chance that a given card is a rare card. What assumptions might this person have made? Are they correct?
  - b) You buy four decks, each with 50 cards. You find that there are 3, 5, 2, and 12 rare cards in the decks. What was the experimental probability that a given card was a rare card?
  - c) Do you think this prediction (experimental probability) is accurate? Why or why not?