

## Data Handling

- Representing data with the help of bars or rectangles of uniform width in a diagram is called a **bar graph or a bar diagram**.
- Each bar represents only one value of the data and hence there are as many bars as there are values in the data.
- The length of the bar indicates the value of the item. The width of the bar does not indicate anything.
- All bars should rest on the same line called the base.
- The bars may be drawn horizontally or vertically.
- A double bar graph helps us to compare two collections of data at a glance.

**Collection and Tabulation of Data:**

- The word data means information in the form of numerical figures or a set of given information.
- Data obtained in the original form is called a **raw data**.
- Arranging the numerical figures of a data in ascending or descending order is called an **array**.
- Arranging the data in a systematic tabular form is called tabulation or presentation of the data.
- Tabulated data is easy to understand and interpret.
- Each numerical figure in a data is called an **observation**.
- The number of times a particular observation occurs is called its **frequency**.
- The difference between the highest and the lowest values of the observations in a given data is called its **range**
- When the number of observations is large, we

make use of tally marks to find the frequencies.

- Tallies are usually marked in a bunch of five for the ease of counting.

**Mean, mode and median:**

- **Mean** in statistics is the same as average in arithmetic. Average is a number that shows the central tendency of a group of observations.
- For a raw data,

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{\text{Sum of Observations}}{\text{Number of observations}};$$

$$\text{Mean of 'n' Numbers} = \frac{\text{Sum of numbers}}{\text{Number of addends}}$$

- **Median:** After arranging data in ascending or descending order of magnitudes the value of the middle term is called the median of the data.
  - (i) When the number of observations is odd, there will be only one middle term and this term is the median.
  - (ii) When the number of observations is even, there will be two middle terms. The average of these two middle terms is the median of the data.
- Some situations in our life happen certainly. Some are impossible and some that may or may not happen. This is called **chance or probability** of an event to occur.