

Data from a Fair - Tally Marks

Chapter 14: The Surajkund Fair · Topic 1

Key Concept

A tally mark is a simple line used to count one item, and tally marks are grouped in sets of five, with the fifth mark crossing the first four.

At a fair, we might count how many people visited the food stall, the game stall, and the ride, recording each visitor with a tally mark.

Grouping tally marks in fives makes it much easier and faster to count large totals, rather than counting individual lines one by one.

After collecting tally data, we can organise it into a table, showing clearly which stall or activity was the most or least popular.

Quick Revision Notes

- A tally mark is a simple line used to count.
- Tally marks are grouped in sets of five.
- The fifth mark crosses the first four.
- We can record fair visitors using tally marks.
- Grouping in fives makes counting large totals easier.
- Data can be organised into a table after collecting.
- Tables show the most and least popular choices.
- Tally marks are a simple, visual way to count.

Practice Questions

- 1 Use tally marks to count something at home, like books or toys.
- 2 Make a tally chart of your classmates' favourite fair activity.
- 3 Group your tally marks in fives.
- 4 Convert your tally data into a table.
- 5 Explain which activity was most popular based on your tally.
- 6 Create a tally chart survey and share results with a friend.