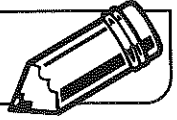


LESSON
3•1**Reading for Information**

1. Turn to page 361 in your *Student Reference Book*.

What is the title of this page?

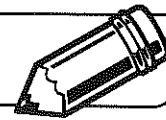
2. Take a minute to look at this page. Based on the title, the tables, and the graphs, describe the information you expect to find on this page.

3. Look at the tables and graphs on the page. Which table or graph would you use to find the mean number of days in school per student, by region?

Explain why.

4. Look at the tables and graphs on the page. What graph would you use to find the median days in school for all states?

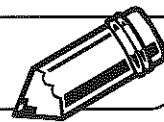
5. Write three questions that you could answer by reading this page, or by using the tables and charts on this page.

**LESSON
3•1****Education and Earnings**

The table below contains information from surveys by the U.S. Census Bureau. The information describes householders who were at least 25 years old. A *householder* is the person in whose name a home is owned or rented. If a house is owned jointly by a husband and wife, the householder could be either the husband or the wife.

Education and Earnings						
Years of School Completed	1980			1990		
	Number of Householders (thousands)	Percent of Householders	Median Income	Number of Householders (thousands)	Percent of Householders	Median Income
Elementary (less than 9 years)	14,012	18%	\$8,875	10,146	11%	\$13,523
High School (1–3 years)	10,547	14%	\$13,213	10,007	11%	\$18,191
High School (4 years)	25,454	34%	\$19,638	32,043	36%	\$28,744
College (1–3 years)	11,480	15%	\$21,740	16,451	19%	\$35,724
College (4 years)	7,862	10%	\$27,339	11,443	13%	\$47,083
College (5 or more years)	6,661	9%	\$30,684	9,269	10%	\$54,636
Total	76,016	100%	\$18,383	89,359	100%	\$30,757

Source: *March Current Population Survey*, prepared by Income Statistics Branch/HHES Division U.S. Bureau of the Census

LESSON
3•1**Education and Earnings** *continued*

Use the Education and Earnings table to answer the following questions.

1. Describe the relationship between number of years of education and income.

2. Compare the number of householders who did not graduate from high school in 1980 with the number in 1990. Describe any changes that occurred.

3. What would you expect to be the number of householders who do not graduate from high school in 2010?

4. How does the number of householders who did not graduate from high school in 1990 compare to the number of householders who graduated from college?
