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EXTENDED LEARNING

1. The Houston Texans Draft Class demonstrated their abilities at the NFL Combine. The players' times for the 40-yard dash are listed in the table.

PLAYER	TIME (SECONDS)
Player 1	4.37
Player 2	5.24
Player 3	4.43
Player 4	4.59
Player 5	4.44

Place the players in order from fastest to slowest.

2. The Ball Possession and Drive Chart includes the number of yards gained for each ball possession. In a game the Houston Texans played against the Detroit Lions, the yards gained for each play are listed below. If yards were lost during a play, the number is recorded as a negative number.

POSSESSION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
YARDS GAINED	66	-8	52	94	52	70	40	72	-1	34	9	-3

Order the number of yards gained from greatest to least.



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3. Each game, the average number of yards gained for pass receiving is reported for all players. If yards are lost during a play, the number is recorded as a negative number. The table lists the average number of yards gained for the Houston Texans in a game versus the New York Jets at NRG Stadium.

PLAYER	AVERAGE YARDS GAINED
Player 1	15.0
Player 2	-9.0
Player 3	0.0
Player 4	7.7
Player 5	-4.0
Player 6	14.0
Player 7	7.6

Order the average number of yards gained from least to greatest.

ENRICHMENT

The Ball Possession and Drive Chart also includes the net yards that the team has gained or lost at the end of each possession. Study the chart on one of the stats sheets. How is the net yards value different than the yards gain value? Which possession had the greatest net gain of yards? Which possession had the least net gain of yards?

TERMINOLOGY

Each February, hundreds of the very best college football players are invited to the NFL Scouting Combine, where executives, coaches, scouts, and doctors from all 32 NFL teams conduct an intense, four-day job interview with physical and mental tests in advance of the NFL draft