Outline

1. Introduction: What is Statistics?

2. Questions about M&Ms.

3. An introduction to the course.

Handouts

1. This sheet, obviously.
2. The course “syllabus.”
3. A sheet for collecting some “useless data.”

Homework

1. Read the course syllabus. Be sure you understand the course policies, especially those that concern homework.
2. Figure out where you are going to use R. Ideally, install it on your own computer.
3. Read the Preface, Introduction, Section 1.1, and Sections A.1-4 (of Appendix A).
4. Do exercises A.1 of Appendix A and 1.1,2,3 of Chapter 1. (due Thursday.)

Useful R

```r
> wt=scan()
> wt=wt-1
> mean(wt)
> hist(wt)
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Course Website

http://www.calvin.edu/~stob/courses/m243/S09/