The middle number when a set of numbers is arranged in order from least to greatest. For an even number of numbers, the median is the average of the two middle numbers.

*Example:* The median of 2, 5, 7, 9, and 10 is 7.
The median of 2, 5, 7, and 12 is \( \frac{5 + 7}{2} \), or 6.