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| **Simbology** | **Description** |
|  |  |
|  |  |

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**Tabla 2:** Values of the Variables

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Description of the variables** | **Value** |
| First mid-term test grade | 4 |
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