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*Greg Heffley (ABC Hauling) and Rowley Jefferson (ACME Corp.)*

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Figure 1. Example of figure.

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Table 1. Example format for tables.

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| **Title of Entry** | **Value of Beans ($)** | **Bean Width (mm)** | **Mass of Each (g)** |
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| Red Beans | 0.00021 | 7.55 | 0.54 |

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