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Remote Learning Activities

Earning and Budgeting

Part I What is a Budget?

Questions:

1. What is the difference between a need and a want? List two examples for each and defend your answer.

Needs: 1.
2.

Wants: 1.
2.

2. Have you ever created a budget for yourself or saved for something over a long period of time? Describe below.

3. Describe the parts of a budget below and give an example of each:

Income	
Expense	
Savings	

4. What makes a budget balanced?

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Part II Parts of a Paystub

Directions:

- Match the missing labels to the appropriate section of the payment stub, then calculate the net pay for this payment period.

Labels:

Gross Pay

Pay Date

Social Security No:

Health Insurance

Period Ending

Medicare Tax

Benjamin's Banjos 9876 Longfellow Ln. Hermosa Beach, CA 90254		A Earnings Statement		
B TAXABLE MARITAL STATUS:	Single			08/01/2014
	XXX-XX-0125	C		08/07/2014
EARNINGS				
	rate	hours	this period	YTD
Regular Pay	24.55	88.40	2,170.22	17,361.76
Overtime	28.85	0		
D			\$2,170.22	\$17,361.76
TAXES WITHHELD				
E	Federal Income Tax		- 110.25	881.84
			- 18.00	144.00
	Social Security Tax		- 43.00	344.00
	State Income Tax		- 45.81	366.48
OTHER DEDUCTIONS				
F			- 60.00	480.00
	401(k)		- 75.00	600.00

5. Fill in your answers below:

A.	B	C.
D.	E.	F.

6. Calculate the net pay for this pay period.
(Total Net Pay= Regular Pay - Taxes - Deductions)

Part III Simple Budget Worksheet

Directions:

- Multiply the Total Net Pay from the last activity by 2 to calculate earnings for the month.
- Use the internet to research average monthly costs for standard budget items below. If the Internet is not available, ask a trusted adult about average costs for budget items.
- Subtract your Monthly Expenses from the total monthly Net Pay to calculate the amount left over after expenses.

7. Net Pay for one pay period (see the answer for Question #8)

$$\frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Answer from Question \#8)}} \times 2 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Total Earnings for the Month)}}$$

Monthly Budget Worksheet

8. Fill out your budget below using your research

Expenses	Amount
Fixed Expenses	
Housing	\$
Phone	\$
Cable/Internet	\$
Utilities	\$
Insurance	\$
Variable Expenses	
Groceries	\$
Fuel/Transportation	\$

Other Expenses	
Savings	\$
Gifts	\$
Clothing	\$
Entertainment	\$
Miscellaneous expenses	\$
Total Spent	\$

9. What is the amount of money you have left over after expenses? If your answer is a negative number, readjust some of your expenses above so that the budget is balanced.

$\underline{\hspace{10em}} - \underline{\hspace{10em}} = \underline{\hspace{10em}}$ (Answer from Question #9) (Total Spent from budget)
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10. **Reflect:** Make a plan for what to do with the left over money from your budget. Do you want to add more to savings to get closer to buying a big item or add to an emergency savings fund? Write out your plan below.

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11. Uh oh! Your cell phone breaks and you need \$230 to replace it. What could you adjust in your budget to cover this unexpected expense?

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12. You want to buy a \$4,500 car in 12 months. How much would you have to save each month to cover this cost and how could you adjust your budget to save that amount each month?

13. **Reflect:** Why is creating a budget important? What are some long-term financial goals that you have for yourself and how might creating and keeping a budget help you meet those goals?