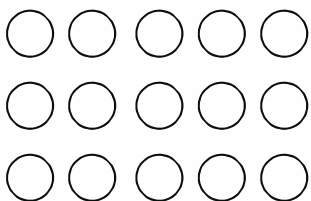


# Real-Life Budget Simulation



You are married. You have two children. Both of you work, one full time, the other holds two part-time jobs. Both make minimum wage. You have a 15-candy-budget to spend every month. How will you spend it? What would your priorities be?  
Place the required number of candies to indicate your spending choices.  
You have to make a choice for each category (you can't skip any categories).

| Category                                                                                                              | A (1 candy)                                                                                                                      | B (2 candies)                                                                                                                                              | C (3 candies)                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <b>Housing</b><br>                   | Studio apartment (1 bedroom), 1 bath, unfurnished, no patio/deck/yard, street parking only, stove only.<br><input type="radio"/> | Apartment (3 bedroom, 1 bath), unfurnished, covered patio, 1 covered parking space, stove and refrigerator.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> | House (2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath), unfurnished, small fenced yard, 2-car garage, stove, refrigerator, and dishwasher.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |
| <b>Healthcare</b><br>                | No health insurance. You pay for all health-related costs.<br><input type="radio"/>                                              | Health insurance for you through your employer, but no health insurance for your family members.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>            | Health insurance for you and your family through your employer.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                   |
| <b>Food/Grocery (per person)</b><br> | 1 meal per day.<br><input type="radio"/>                                                                                         | 2 meals per day.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                                            | 3 meals per day, plus snacks.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                                     |
| <b>Transportation</b><br>            | Walk or bike everywhere. No public transportation.<br><input type="radio"/>                                                      | Walk, bike, or take public transit.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                         | Own your own car.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                                                 |
| <b>Technology Access</b><br>       | No computer. No cell phone. TV (black & white, no cable).<br><input type="radio"/>                                               | No computer. Cell phone. TV (no cable).<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                     | Home computer. Cell phone. TV with cable.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                         |
| <b>Laundry Facilities</b><br>      | Use a Laundromat not in your apartment complex.<br><input type="radio"/>                                                         | Shared laundry room in apartment complex.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                   | Own washer and dryer in your home.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                                |
| <b>Child Care</b><br>              | Family/friend.<br><input type="radio"/>                                                                                          | Part-time licensed home provider.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                           | Full-time, high-quality early education provider.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                 |
| <b>Spending Money</b><br>          | After the bills/food are paid, no extra money left.<br><input type="radio"/>                                                     | \$20 extra left over each week after all bills are paid.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                    | \$50 left over each week after all bills are paid.<br><input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>                                                                |