









Making Choices

How will you invest your resources?

If you had a “15-candy budget” to spend every month how would 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). You are married; you both work and have a son, 14 and a daughter, 9.



Category	A (1 Candy)	B (2 Candies)	C (3 Candies)
 Housing Studio apartment (1 bedroom), 1 bath, unfurnished, no patio/deck/yard, street parking only (no covered parking space), stove only <input type="radio"/>	3 bedroom 1 bath <i>apartment</i> , unfurnished, covered patio, 1 covered parking space, stove and refrigerator <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	2 bedroom 1 ½ bath <i>house</i> , unfurnished, small fenced yard, 2-car garage, stove, refrigerator and dishwasher <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	
 Healthcare No health insurance, you pay for all health related costs <input type="radio"/>	Health insurance for you through your employer but no health insurance for your family members. <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	Health insurance for you and your family through your employer. <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	
 Food (per person) 1 meal a day <input type="radio"/>	2 meals a day <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	3 meals a day+ snacks <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	
 Transportation Walk or bike everywhere, no public transit available <input type="radio"/>	Walk, bike or take public transit <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	Own your own car <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	
 Technology access No computer No cell phone Black & White TV - No cable <input type="radio"/>	No computer Cell phone TV - No cable <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	Home computer TV with cable Cell phone <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	
 Laundry facilities Laundromat <input type="radio"/>	Shared laundry room in apartment complex <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	Own washer/dryer, in your home <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	
 Shopping 1 grocery store within walking distance, no mall within 20 miles <input type="radio"/>	Grocery store across the street from your home and a mini-mall within a mile <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	2 grocery stores nearby and a large mall within walking distance <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	
 Spending money After the bills/food are paid no extra money left <input type="radio"/>	\$20 left over each week after all bills are paid <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	\$50 left over each week after all bills are paid <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	

