

Life Scenario

Occupation: Office Assistant

Spouse: Single

Children: None

Round One: Using the budget bean sheets, highlight one item in each category. Keeping in mind your life scenario (single, married, or married with children, one income or two incomes)

- Housing
- Savings (Pay Yourself First)
- Utilities
- Transportation
- Healthcare
- Childcare (if needed)
- Food
- Communication
- Personal Care
- Clothing
- Entertainment
- Gifts
- Other Expenses



When complete, count how many beans you have spent. What is the number of bean you spent?

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Round Two:

Monthly Salary: \$2720 (\$17 an hour/40 hours)

Taxes taken directly from pay: \$420

Take – home pay: \$ 2300 (player has 23 beans to pay for all expenses)

Do you have enough “beans” to pay for the remaining items?

Total beans budgeted minus 23 = _____

How can you move/shift the beans around to pay for all your necessary expenses?

What have you budgeted that can be considered a “want”?

What ways can you save money?