## Car Buying Project

You are going to create a budget for purchasing a car. (If you would rather budget for a different major purchase, please discuss this with your teacher).

1) Describe your job. Use your existing job or, if you do not have one, make up your own. Make sure the job is reasonable for someone your age.

- Where do you work and what do you do?
- What type of income are you receiving from your job? (hourly, salary, piecework, commission).

2) Determine your monthly gross pay. Include any calculations you need to make. If you have a job, show your paystub.
3) Determine your monthly net pay. Show your calculations for your deductions including income tax and EI. See TABLE 1 below for the tax tables. (You won't have a CPP deduction if you are under 18 years old)
4) Research an appropriate car that you could afford to purchase. Useful resources include craigslist, autotrader.ca, and used car dealer sites. This needs to be a realistic purchase. Provide a photo or link to the car you want to purchase.
If you can afford to save up and purchase the car with cash, then you won't have a monthly car payment. There is usually interest charged to borrow money to pay for a vehicle. Normally, the longer you take to pay the vehicle off, the more interest you will pay. This is usually a complicated interest calculation. For simplicity, see TABLE 3 below to determine what approximate interest you would have to pay in order to borrow your money (depending on how long you require to pay off the vehicle loan).

Purchase price of vehicle:

Monthly payment for vehicle purchase:
5) Determine the additional monthly costs associated with the purchase of your car. These would include:

- Insurance. See TABLE 2 below for approximate ANNUAL costs to insure your car.
- Gas. Determine the fuel economy of your car (google it!). Then determine how many kilometers you would drive each month. Consider the distance to and from school, work and pleasure. Show your calculations.
- Maintenance costs. This will include things like oil changes, tire replacement, wheel alignments, etc. Determine an approximate total monthly maintenance cost for your car. You could use google to get an approximate monthly cost for your year and model of car.

6. Complete the budget table below.

Car Buying Monthly Budget

| Monthly Income | Monthly Expenses |
| :--- | :--- |
| Monthly Net Pay: | Car Payment: |
|  | Insurance: |
|  | Gas: |
| TOTAL MONTHLY <br> INCOME: | Maintenance: |

Questions: Based on your budget, do you feel like you can afford to purchase and maintain your car? Justify your answer. If you can't afford it, what could you adjust so that a car purchase would be more affordable?

## TABLE 1: TAX TABLES

CPP (Canada Pension Plan): 4.95\% of your gross earnings if you are 18 years old or older.
EI (Employment insurance): $1.66 \%$ of your gross earnings
Federal Income Tax:

| Tax rate | Taxable income bracket | Tax owed |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $15 \%$ | $\$ 0$ to $\$ 46,605$ | $15 \%$ of taxable income |
| $20.5 \%$ | $\$ 46,605$ to $\$ 93,208$ | $\$ 6,991$ plus $20.5 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 46,605$ |
| $26 \%$ | $\$ 93,208$ to $\$ 144,489$ | $\$ 16,544$ plus $26 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 93,208$ |
| $29 \%$ | $\$ 144,489$ to $\$ 205,842$ | $\$ 29,877$ plus $29 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 144,489$ |
| $33 \%$ | Over $\$ 205,842$ | $\$ 47,670$ plus $33 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 205,842$ |

## Provincial Income Tax:

| Tax rate | Taxable income bracket | Tax owed |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $5.06 \%$ | $\$ 0$ to $\$ 39,676$ | $5.06 \%$ of taxable income |
| $7.7 \%$ | $\$ 39,676$ to $\$ 79,353$ | $\$ 2,008$ plus $7.7 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 39,676$ |
| $10.5 \%$ | $\$ 79,353$ to $\$ 91,107$ | $\$ 5,063$ plus $10.5 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 79,353$ |
| $12.29 \%$ | $\$ 91,107$ to $\$ 110,630$ | $\$ 6,297$ plus $12.29 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 91,107$ |
| $14.7 \%$ | $\$ 110,630$ to $\$ 150,000$ | $\$ 8,696$ plus $14.7 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 110,630$ |
| $16.8 \%$ | Over $\$ 150,000$ | $\$ 14,483$ plus $16.8 \%$ of the <br> amount over $\$ 150,000$ |

## TABLE 2 - INSURANCE COSTS

Approximate annual costs to insure a vehicle for new drivers. Select the vehicle that most closely resembles the one you purchased.

Vehicle 1: An older, high km vehicle worth about \$2000.

- Basic insurance (no collision): \$3000
- With collision and comprehensive coverage: $\mathbf{\$ 3 5 0 0}$

Vehicle 2: An older vehicle worth about $\$ 7,000$.

- Basic insurance (no collision): \$3000
- With collision and comprehensive coverage: $\mathbf{\$ 4 1 0 0}$

Vehicle 3: A newer, lower km vehicle worth about \$15,000.

- Basic insurance (no collision): \$3000
- With collision and comprehensive coverage: \$4500


## TABLE 3: LOAN INTEREST APPROXIMATION

- If your loan is 1 year or less, add $4 \%$ to your purchase price
- If your loan is between 1 and 3 years, add $11 \%$ to your purchase price
- If your loan is more than 3 years, add $20 \%$ to your purchase price

