

# Summer Beach Trip on a Budget

A GREAT, FUN way to  
ENGAGE students!

Great life lessons on  
budgeting for your  
Personal Finance class  
or Family and Consumer  
Science (FACS) class!

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# An invaluable life lesson on budgeting – an **eye-opening** exercise for young people!

## I use these types of lessons at the end of the year or before a break!

**EXCURSIONS**

Look for fun activities or excursions that you can go on when you are at the beach. How much does it cost? Is there money in the budget?

Skydiving  
Snorkeling  
Jet Ski Rental  
Boat Rides

WHAT ACTIVITY WILL YOU DO?  
HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

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If you were planning a beach picnic and only had \$20.00 to spend on a picnic for four people, what would you buy? Shop online for the food. List all items in the table below and copy and paste pictures of what you will purchase in the space below...

Food Item	Price
TOTAL	

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**OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS**

Find comfortable overnight arrangements for you and your friends. Drop a picture of the hotel/beach house/condo below as well as the cost per night.

PRICE PER NIGHT

Number of nights

What is the percentage of sales tax in the state that you are visiting?

Multiply the # of nights by cost per night.

Multiply the number that you just calculated by the % of sales tax in the state that you are visiting.

Add the resort fee for the stay to the number that you just calculated.

Total cost of accommodations

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Going to the beach with friends sounds like such a fun idea! You saved \$1,200.00 to go to the beach. You can afford to go to the beach and stay for a week if you share the trip costs with 3 other friends. Who might you go with?

FRIEND #1

FRIEND #2

FRIEND #3

Select a date within the next 4 months for a 6 night stay at the beach.

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**COMPLETE IN GOOGLE SLIDES OR  
EASILY CONVERT TO MICROSOFT POWERPOINT**



It's important that you put some of your trip savings aside for spending money. If you put \$200 of your money aside and each of your friends also contribute \$1,000 each, you will have \$4,000 for gas, hotel overnight accommodations, food, and beach activities. Your friend is letting you all use his Deep Gravel Chokee for the trip.

WHERE WILL YOU GO ON YOUR TRIP?

USING GOOGLE MAPS OR ANOTHER TRAVEL TOOL, HOW MANY MILES WILL YOU TRAVEL ROUND-TRIP?

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There are several trip calculators online. Use a trip calculator to calculate how much you and your friends will pay for gas round trip.

HOW MUCH WILL YOU PAY IN GASOLINE?

Show Walmart.com for road snacks... have some \$20 road snacks... Copy and paste a picture of what you will snack on during the ride!

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Students add up the total cost of their beach trip...

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**DID YOU STAY WITH BEACH-TRIP-BUDGET?**

Total Cost of Your Beach Trip	
Total cost of overnight accommodations	
Cost of gasoline	
Cost of road snacks	
Price per person to go to restaurant	
Picnic	
Excursions/fun activities	
Total Cost of Beach Trip	

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restaurants in the area where you are vacationing. Select a restaurant that you may like. How much might you spend on a meal at that restaurant?

Copy a paste a picture of the restaurant and menu if available online.

HOW MUCH MIGHT A MEAL COST IN THIS RESTAURANT?

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# Teacher Testimonials



**This was fun!** We live in a cold climate in the winter so we love to do this project when we are sick of the winter weather. I've used this in my Personal Finance class and the students had fun with it. The colors are bright and engaging. **I love and appreciate the no-prep!**



**Great resource** for my Personal Finance Class. Thank you!



**My students loved this activity** as a supplement to our Budgeting unit in Personal Finance. It came as the weather was turning much colder in our area, so it definitely had them **engaged!**



This got students thinking about their summers. Summer jobs. How they were going to spend or save that money. **Great assignment!**

**Hi! My name is Denise Leigh. I have been teaching Business Education for over 25 years! I love collaborating with business educators all over the world. I am a 2022 Pennsylvania Teacher of the Year Finalist and relentless lifetime learner and lover of everything education. Engaging students and connecting them to their world is my jam! Thank you for exploring my resources and sharing my passion for BUSINESS EDUCATION!**

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