

Activity: Cost of Owning a Car

Description:

The objective of this assignment is to: Help you to understand the importance of driving WITH a driver’s license, help you to understand the process of getting one, helping you get an idea of the cost involved in having your own car, and some alternative choices for transportation.

How do I get credit for this assignment?

- Read through all of the information provided
- Research the average monthly and year costs of a car, insurance and maintenance, and fill in the grid to complete the activity.
- Email the completed work along with this cover sheet to: Michelle Estrada at mestrada@orangewoodfoundation.org

You may earn up to \$15.00 ILP dollars for completing this assignment.

Total Dollars Earned:

<p>\$</p>
<p>(ILP Use Only)</p>

Notes:

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Date: _____

_____ Youth Signature	_____ Date of Birth
_____ Print Name (Youth)	_____ Group Home (If Applicable)

<p>Receipt</p> <p>(ILP Use Only)</p>
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Why is getting your license important?

First and foremost, it is important to have a driver’s license in order to notify law enforcement that you have had the required training and practice to operate a motor vehicle. It also

Driving without a license is a “wobbler” offense that can be charged as either a misdemeanor or an infraction. If charged as a misdemeanor, the maximum penalty is six months in jail and a \$1,000 court fine. If charged as an infraction, the maximum penalty is a \$250 court fine.

How can you get your driver’s license?

-If under the age of 17 ½ you MUST take a Drivers Education Course BEFORE you can get your permit. The Drivers Education Course is about 30 hours of classroom instruction.

Orangewood Foundation can reimburse up to \$300 for Driving School.

-To get your permit, you must go to the DMV and pass a written test. Study, Study, Study.

-Check online to see what documents you need to bring with you.. You don’t want to get there and have to turn around!

- Before you go, make sure you:
- Have had your permit for at least 6 months (or you are over 18 J)
- Completed your behind-the-wheel training (unless you are over 18)
- Have insurance for the car you’ll be driving during the test
- Bring all required documents
- PRACTICE – Looking over shoulder before turning, scanning mirrors, leaving gap in front of you when stopped, etc.

IF OVER 18 YEARS OLD

-No need for Drivers Education Course, but you will still need to get a Learners Permit before you get your Drivers License

TO COMPLETE ACTIVITTY

Google your car of choice and the following different costs, then fill out this table.

Car Type:	Monthly	Yearly	Total Years
Car Maintenance			
Car Insurance			
Car Payments			
Emergency Costs			

If you don't have a car or plan to get one in the near future, there are other options:

- Uber/Lyft
- Biking/Walking
- Train
- Car pooling/Car sharing
- Bus passes

<http://www.octa.net/Bus/Rider-Tools-and-Apps/Overview/>

- The OCTA website is very easy to use, just go to the link above and out your departure and destination locations to get the bus stops and trip suggestions.
- You can also use your smart phone to get bus directions.
- If you choose to do bus transportation, you can complete this activity by going to the link above, and listing the route that the OCTA website gives you for a location you'd like to go to.