

Talk About Money Worksheet

Directions: Family members should answer these questions separately. Then compare answers. The similarities and differences that turn up can spark a discussion of family attitudes and practices.

1. If you received \$5,000 tax-free, what would you do with it?

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- 2. Rank the following activities, using 1 to indicate what you would enjoy doing most and 6 to indicate what you would enjoy doing least.
 - _____ an evening at home with the family
 - _____ a few extra hours on the job
 - _____ spending time with friends
 - _____ a night on the town
 - _____ involvement in physical activity
 - _____ some quiet time to myself
- 3. If you had to make a major cut in your current spending, what areas would you cut first?

4. Do you agree (A) or disagree (D) with the following statements?

- A D I'm basically too tight with money.
- A D My spouse is basically too tight with money.
- A D Equality in family decision-making is important to me.
- A D I feel good about the way financial decisions are made in my family.
- A D Sometimes I buy things I don't need just because they're on sale.
- A D I believe in enjoying today and letting tomorrow worry about itself.

- 5. You'd like to see us spend less money on ______ and more money spent on______ and
- 6. What money problem is the most frequent cause of argument?

7. What was the most sensible thing you've done with money since marriage?

8.	Do you know the dollar amount that goes in each of the following blanks? If so, what is the dollar amount? Family take-home income \$ Rent or mortgage payments \$ Money spent on food each month \$
	Monthly car payment \$

9. Buying on credit is ______