

A budget with room to spare

Plan spending and distinguish wishes from available resources.



Apples, a calculator, a blank shopping list and plain counting tokens in bowls. · AI-generated illustration

A budget compares available resources with planned expenses. A remaining amount can serve as a reserve. This activity uses abstract units rather than real market prices.

Now try it

1. A fictional group has 100 units. Materials cost 45, refreshments 30 and transport 15. Calculate the reserve.
2. Transport costs rise to 25. Compare two ways to keep the plan within budget.

Fictional demo material. Adapt to the learners and the school's teaching before use.

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Your notes and findings

Think it through

How large is the reserve in the original plan?

See a suggested answer

$100 - 45 - 30 - 15 = 10$ units. With the higher transport cost and no other change, no reserve remains.

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