



## Task Title: Finding an Affordable Apartment

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**Learner Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Started:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Successful Completion:** Yes  No

**Goal Path:** Employment  Apprenticeship

Secondary School  Post Secondary  Independence

**Task Description:** The learner will set a budget for housing and search for a suitable apartment.

### Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:

- Communicate Ideas and Information/Write continuous text/B2.1
- Communicate Ideas and Information/Complete and create documents/B3.1a
- Understand and Use Numbers/Manage money/C1.2
- Use Digital Technology/D.2

### Materials Required:

- Pen/pencil and paper
- Computer
- Calculator or digital device with calculator function

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## Learner Information

Before setting out to rent a room or an apartment, it is important to know what is affordable.

## Work Sheet

**Task 1: 40% of a person’s total monthly income is a good measure of what is affordable for housing. Calculate how much a person can afford to spend on rent based on the monthly income amounts shown in the chart.**

Answer:

Monthly Income	40% Housing Cost
\$1,500	
\$2,500	
\$3,500	

Open up a search engine on the web browser of the computer. Search for “apartment and room rentals” for your town or city.

**Task 2: Based on your calculation in Task 1, find three apartments for rent that are affordable based on a \$3,500 monthly income. Fill in the chart with details about each apartment.**

Answer:

	Apartment 1	Apartment 2	Apartment 3
<b>Price</b>			
<b>Location</b>			
<b>Number of Bedrooms and Bathrooms</b>			
<b>Utilities that are included (e.g. water or electricity)</b>			

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**Task 3: In three or four sentences, explain which apartment you would choose and why.**

Answer:

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## Answers

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Answer:

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\$1,500	\$600
\$2,500	\$1,000
\$3,500	\$1,400

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### Performance Descriptors

Levels	Performance Descriptors	Needs Work	Completes task with support from practitioner	Completes task independently
B2.1	writes simple texts to request, remind or inform			
	conveys simple ideas and factual information			
	demonstrates a limited understanding of sequence			
	uses sentence structure, upper and lower case and basic punctuation			
	uses highly familiar vocabulary			
B3.1a	makes a direct match between what is requested and what is entered			
	makes entries using familiar vocabulary			
C1.2	calculates using numbers expressed as whole numbers, fractions, decimals, percentages and integers			
	calculates percentages			
	chooses and performs required operation(s); may make inferences to identify required operation(s)			
	represents costs and rates using monetary symbols, decimals and percentages			

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D.2	selects and follows appropriate steps to complete tasks			
	locates and recognizes functions and commands			
	begins to identify sources and evaluate information			
	performs simple searches using keywords (e.g. internet, software help menu)			

This task: Was successfully completed  Needs to be tried again

Learner Comments:

Instructor (print):

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Learner (print):

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