**“What Do You Need?”: Furnishing your First House  
(Review of Excel Spreadsheet Budgeting)**

For this activity, you will purchase items for your home. You will need to search your prices online. Try [www.Ikea.com](http://www.Ikea.com) or [www.valuecity.com](http://www.valuecity.com) Ask yourself what items you will need when you move into your first “on your own” house. (You will fill 4 rooms: **Kitchen, Bathroom, Bedroom, and Living Room**)What things can’t you live without? Which do you already own? Which can you get for free from friends or relatives? Which items will you have to buy? Try to be as realistic as possible. You will set this up in Excel. See the example below.

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| **Room in the House** | **Item** | **Have it, Can get it, or Buy** | **Price** | **Totals** |
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Explanation: **Room in the House**: Choose Kitchen, bathroom, bedroom or living room. **Item**: List the item you will put in your house. (For example, in your kitchen, you will probably want a refrigerator and a stove) **Have it, Can get it, or Buy**: Put in **H**(You already have it), **C**(Can get it from a friend or relative for free, **B**(buy it). **Price**: Cost (Put in the price of all things you are buying, and .00 for all things Have or Can get)

You must **buy** at least 5 items, and include at least 10 items for each ROOM. In the totals column, you will add all the Cost for each room individually, and then all the rooms together for a grand total.

We will also SORT the items by Price (which are the most expensive purchases you will make), and SORT them according to what will be bought, and what you already have yourself or from family.

When you are finished, hopefully you will see how much you might take for granted when living with your family, and how many items you will actually want and need to make a home for yourself.