## EXEMPLAR

## YOUR NAME

Professional Mime
Rochester, NY

## Starting Salary: $\mathbf{\$ 6 0 , 0 0 0}$

Federal Income Tax (Single (.111))
Income Tax: (NYS) (.047)
Medicare Tax: (.0145)
Social Security Tax: (.062)
Total Yearly Taxes:
Yearly Disposable Income:
Monthly Disposable Income:
----\$6,660.00
----\$2,820.00
----\$870.00
----\$3,720.00
----\$14,070.00
----\$45,930.00
----\$3,827.50

| Expenses: | Monthly Bill: | Yearly Total: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Rent: | \$800 | \$9,600 |
| 2. Utilities: | \$150 | \$1,800 |
| 3. Cell Phone: | \$60 | \$720 |
| 4. Car Payment: | \$265.61 | \$796.83 (3,187.32 for 4 years) |
| 5. Car Insurance: | \$249.75 | \$2,997 |
| 6. Gasoline: | \$20.05 | \$240.60 |
| 7. Auto Repair: | \$100 | \$1,200 |
| 8. Food/Groceries: | \$252.18 | \$3,026.16 |
| 9. Toiletries/Household items: | \$200 | \$2,400 |
| 10. Clothing and shoes: | \$200 | \$2,400 |
| 11. Entertainment: | \$300 | \$3,600 |
| 12. Student Loans: | \$172.62 | \$2,071.44 |
| 13. Pets: | \$0 | \$0 |
| 14. Gym Membership: | \$30 | \$360 |
| 15. TV/Internet: | TV: \$16 (Hulu/Netflix) Internet: \$50 | \$792 |
| 16. Renters Insurance: | \$10 | \$120 |
| 17. Haircuts: | \$5.83 (once a year) | \$70 |
| 18. Laundry: | \$30 | \$360 |
| 19. Gifts: | \$50 | \$600 |
| 20. Savings: (What is left over) | \$865.46 | \$10,385.52 |
|  |  |  |
| TOTALS | MONTHLY: \$2,962.04 | YEARLY: \$35,544.48 |

## Explanation Page:

Directions: This is where you provide a $4-8$ sentence explanation of how you calculated these numbers. Please include screenshots or printouts of proof as requested on the assignment sheet.

## This is a different example than the budget above. YOUR explanation and budget breakdown should match.

1. Rent: For my rent, I knew I needed an apartment that costs about $25-30 \%$ of my monthly disposable income. I found $25 \%$ of my monthly disposable income by multiplying . 25 with $\$ 7,154.87$. The total came to be $\$ 1,788.72$. I knew I couldn't find an apartment that's rent was above this cost. Since I like to be extra cautious with my money, I found a nice place with a monthly rent of $\$ 800$. This is well below my budget, which is great! I multiplied this number by 12 to find the yearly total, which is $\$ 9,600$.
2. Utilities: Luckily, my apartment came with heat but not electricity. This means to find my electricity bill I need to take $10 \%$ of my rent, This means my monthly electricity bill would be approximately $\$ 80$. I multiplied this number by 12 to find the yearly total, which is $\$ 960$.
3. Cell Phone: Because I live so close to my family, I decided to stay with my families' plan. The bill is usually around $\$ 308$ a month, so each member must pay $\$ 60$ a month for their cell phone bill. I multiplied this number by 12 to find the yearly total. This total came to be $\$ 720$.
4. Car Payment: After finding the right car for me, I made sure the price was affordable. I did this by paying off my car with a 4 year plan. The full price of the car was $\$ 12,000$. Using an auto loan, each month I must pay $\$ 265.61$ with a $3 \%$ interest rate. To find the yearly cost, I multiplied this number by 12 , which came to a total of \$3,187.32.
5. Car Insurance: I found my yearly cost for car insurance using the "Average Car Insurance by Age" graph. Since I am 22 years old, I had to average the costs for ages 21 and 25 . I did this by adding $\$ 3,620$ and $\$ 2,374$ and then dividing by 2 . This brought me to $\$ 2,997$ as my yearly cost. To find my monthly cost, I divided this number by 12 , which brought me to $\$ 249.75$.
6. Food/Groceries: To find the monthly cost of food/groceries, I used an online calculator to estimate the amount. Because I do not plan on eating out for my meals, my monthly cost was a bit pricy. The total came to $\$ 252.18$ per month. To find the yearly cost, I multiplied this number by 12 , which brought me to $\$ 3,026.16$.
7. Pets: I do not plan on owning any pets, so my monthly and yearly costs for pet care is $\$ 0$.
8. Gasoline: To find my monthly cost for gasoline, I used an online calculator to estimate the amount. Because my car has an average of 20,671 miles per gallon, and my commute to work is 10 miles, 5 days a week, my monthly total for gasoline came to be $\$ 20.05$. This is much more affordable than I expected it to be. I did not need to calculate the yearly cost because it was already given to me by the online calculator. This number came to be \$240.60.
9. Internet: My internet comes free with my apartment, so my monthly and yearly costs for internet is $\$ 0$.
10. Cable TV/DISH: My apartment comes with free Time Warner Cable, so my monthly and yearly costs for this is $\$ 0$.
11. Entertainment: For entertainment, I wanted to keep a decent amount of money because I would hate to be bored at home with nothing to do because I couldn't afford to do anything fun. At the same time, I knew I would
be busy most of the time with work, so I wouldn't need to spend too much money on doing fun things. Due to these reasons, I decided to save $\$ 300$ a month for entertainment. This should be enough money for me to do fun activities on the weekends. To find the yearly cost I multiplied this number by 2 , which came to be $\$ 3,600$.
12. Clothing and Shoes: I do not usually buy myself new clothes every single month, but when I do it tends to be a little expensive. As a compromise, I saved myself $\$ 200$ a month for clothing and shoes. This should be enough money for me to buy enough things at decent priced. To find my yearly total, I multiplied this number by 12, which came to be $\$ 2,400$.
13. Gym Membership: My apartment comes with a fitness room for free, so I do not need to pay for a gym membership. This leaves my monthly and yearly total to be $\$ 0$.
14. Student Loans: To find my monthly cost for my student loan, I used an online calculator. Because my loan was $\$ 15,000$, and there is an interest rate of $6.8 \%$, my monthly total cost came to be $\$ 172.62$. This cost includes the total interest cost, which is $\$ 5,714.45$. I must pay this monthly cost for 120 months. To find the yearly total, I multiplied $\$ 172.62$ by 12 and found the cost to be $\$ 2,071.44$.
15. Toiletries: Knowing myself, I tend to buy a lot of things like shampoo, lotions, makeup, etc. Because of this, I saved myself enough money to buy enough of these toiletries, without needing to decrease my spending. I chose my monthly total to be $\$ 200$. To find the yearly total, I multiplied this number by 12 , which gave me a cost of $\$ 2,400$.
16. Laundry: My apartment comes with a washer and dryer hook-up, so I do not need to pay for the laundry. This leaves my monthly and yearly total to be $\$ 0$.
17. Hair Cuts: I usually only get my hair cut once a year because I like to keep it long. However, when I do get it cut, it is usually a bit expensive. I decided to make my monthly cost $\$ 70$ so I could get myself a really nice haircut. However, my yearly cost would not change, it would still be \$70.
18. Gifts: I don't really have many reasons to buy gift for people, and when I do I usually do not spend more than $\$ 50$. Because of this reason, I decided to make my monthly cost for gifts $\$ 50$. This should be enough to buy a friend or family member a nice gift when their birthday comes around. To find the yearly cost, I multiplied this number by 12 , bringing the total to $\$ 600$.
19. Household Items: There are a number of household items I need to buy, however the items are usually inexpensive things like paper towel rolls, or Windex. For this reason, I made my monthly cost $\$ 100$ for household items. This way, I can purchase a great number of items that are already at a cheap price. To find the yearly cost I multiplied this number by 12 , which makes the total to be $\$ 1,200$.
20. Savings: I knew I needed to keep a decent amount of my income for my monthly savings. Knowing that you should try and save at least 10-15\% of your monthly disposable income for your monthly savings, I decided to go with $15 \%$. I knew my income was great enough to keep more than $10 \%$ for my savings, but to be safe, I went with $15 \%$ so that I can spend more money on other bills. To calculate my monthly savings, I multiplied .15 with my monthly disposable income $(\$ 7,154.87)$. As a result, my monthly savings came to $\$ 1,073.23$. I multiplied this number by 12 to find the yearly total, which is $\$ 12,878.77$.

## Proof Needed:

2- Rent, 3- utilities, 11- internet, 12- Cable


## 5- Car payment




Generally speaking, novice drivers tend to get expensive quotes, while experienced drivers will see more moderate quotes. That's because stotistics show that teenagers and beginner drivers are more likely to get into car crashes and accidents than other age groups. 15 to 20 year olds make up approximately $6 \%$ of licensed drivers, but nearly $11 \%$ of fatal crashes - they've yet to solidify the skills, reflexes, and judgment necessary to best react to road conditions. This makes them riskier to insure than a mature driver. Mature drivers in their mid-thirties to forties -insurance-costs"

## 16- Student loan

## mappingyourfuture.org/paying/standardcalculator.cfm

for a chart with Direct Loan interest rates.

- The calculator is preset to 120 months and an interest rate of 6.8 percent. You may adjust these.
- It is recommended that your student loan payment be less than 8 percent of your gross income. The minimum salary field is based on this recommendation.
- If you have not made payments while in school or during your grace period, you may have capitalized interest that will be added to the principal amount of your loan. This amount should be included in the principal amount in the calculator below in order to give a more accurate estimate of the loan repayment information.
Enter your Number of Monthly Payments, Simple Interest Rate, and Principal Amount of Loan.

| Number of Monthly Payments | 120 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Simple Interest Rate | 6.8 |  |  |
| Principal Amount of Loan | $\$ 15000$ |  |  |
| Your Monthly Payment will Be | $\$ 172.62$ |  |  |
| Your Total Interest Cost will Be | $\$ 5714.45$ |  |  |
| Minimum annual salary to handle these payments: $\$ 25893.00$ |  |  |  |

## 4- Cell phone

Messages 900080003498
Detai

Text Message
Mon, Nov 16, 3:43 PM
VZW FREE MSG: Your automatic payment of $\$ 308.39$ has been applied to your account. Your card ending in 7831 has been charged. Thank you for your payment.

