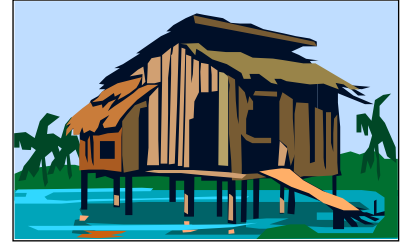


Relocating Project



Utilize Chamber of Commerce web sites.

Career and salary: _____

City you will move to: _____

You will be setting up your life all on your own! No family or friends are able to help you. You will all have a career. Life will throw you some problems along your way, my apologies, however that's life! The key to getting a passing grade for this project is **MATURITY, REALITY, AND DETAILS, DETAILS, DETAILS!!!** The more details you give me, the better your chances for receiving full credit for this project.

****Do not type out your social security or driver's license number on any site.****

You **must** do the following to receive credit for this project:

1. Print out a map of the city you will be living in.
2. You may bring everything you have in your room that your parents say can go. Make a list of the things you will be taking.
3. Plan your trip from Paris, IL to your new home.
 - a. Using a mapping site, print out a map detailing your trip.
 - b. Plan (write out) how you will get your belongings there. Remember you have no help from anyone.
 - c. How long it will take you to get to your new home? Plan **where** you will stay every night on the way out there. It is not safe to drive all the way through. List me the details supplying an itinerary of your trip. I want the specific hotels where you are staying.
 - d. Either by using the vehicle you have right now or hiring a U-haul, how much will it cost to move either by driving or flying out there? You may have to visit Priceline or another site and get airline prices. You may have to visit a U-haul web site and acquire prices. Find out many miles it is and figure cost in gas. I want a detailed break down of things you will have to pay for your trip in MSExcel and what they cost (food, gas, lodging, etc). This is your budget for the move.
4. Research a company and acquire a position. Create a resume, cover letter, and reference page for a company, etc. in the area. Fill out the career research page about the position you wish to have. Try to find out what the salary/hourly rate you will be paid. Look on the Occupational Outlook Handbook if you have problems finding info about your career.
5. Create a budget using the salary you now earn and the budgeting worksheet. 10-10-80 is your formula!!!
 - a. Assume that 25% of your gross pay goes towards taxes and benefits. You have only health insurance for yourself through your job.

- b. On the budget, list ALL the expenditures plus costs you will have during the month. Ex: utilities, groceries, rent, life insurance, renter's insurance, etc. **THIS IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST OF EXPENSES.** What will you need? You will have to look for web sites from the area to find out how much everything costs. You can find insurance rates, electricity rates, if you look hard enough. Print out rates you are going to use. I won't believe you unless you have the printouts to match.
6. Your apartment comes furnished, which means it has the appliances you will need (frig, stove, washer, dryer) minus a microwave oven. Make a list of the things you will need to buy in order to begin living in your apartment. (shower curtains, soap, household cleaners, paper towels, food, tp, etc.) Visit a store and get **real prices** for your purchases of these items. (Beware I do know how much things cost!)
7. Find an apartment. Print out a floor plan of the place. Find and print out rates. Assume a deposit that is equal to the first month's rent. This needs to go into your budget as a side note so you can account for it. It is mandatory that you purchase renter's insurance. Write a paragraph on the reason you chose the specific apartment you did. What attracted you to it? Does it have any advantages?
8. Find the closest grocery store to your apartment. Give me the name and address. Plan a week's meals. Visit Save-A-Lot with your class and shop.
9. Choose a bank in the area. Decide on a checking account and savings account. Print out information on the account and bank you chose. Write a ½ page on what set it apart from others in the area?
10. Find an insurance company. What types will you need? Print out quotes.
11. Find a car to purchase. Compare with two other vehicles. Why did you choose this one? What features did it have that made it the better choice? Fill out the loan application from the guest speaker in class.
12. Now it's time to get a credit card. Compare at least three different ones and choose one.
13. You will need a vacation after all this. You will be putting the trip on your credit card. Plan one in another country. Describe to me in detail the countries' economic system and why you chose this destination.
14. Find and print out the address of the nearest mall, post office, hospital, police station and the court house. How far is each from your apartment? I want mileage and travel times.
15. Research the schools. Find out what the graduation rate is of the high school. Print it out.