

Name _____

Date _____

Dream Vacation Project

Introduction

Where would you go if you could travel anywhere in the world? For many people, such an extravagant trip is impossible. Not everyone has the financial resources to take such a vacation. Fortunately for you, you have won \$5,000 from the lottery! You have now been given the responsibility of planning your 2015 summer vacation! Your task will be to choose **3** vacation spots you have always dreamed of visiting, prepare a spreadsheet displaying the expenses associated with each trip, and determine which of the three vacations you will be taking! **THIS IS YOUR FINAL PROJECT FOR THE MICROSOFT EXCEL UNIT AND WILL BE WORTH 100 POINTS!**



Directions

1. You will be given \$5,000 to finance your vacation. You will need to consider **transportation, accommodations, food, recreational activities, and spending money.**
2. Your goal is to stay within the allotted budget and create a spreadsheet using Microsoft Excel. Your spreadsheet must also include a **pie chart** illustrating what percent of total each area of your vacation represents.
3. Using the Internet, you will locate an estimated cost for each travel expense (see attached handout for helpful websites).
4. Create a spreadsheet for **THREE** different vacations in order to analyze which trip will give you the most value for your money. **(HINT: Use different sheets contained in ONE document to create each budget).**
5. Each vacation must include accommodations for 5 nights/6 days. This does NOT include travel time!
6. If driving by car you must allocate money for fueling costs. If you are traveling by train or plane, keep in mind transportation throughout the week. You may want to consider renting a car or public transportation! **(HINT: You may find it cheaper to book transportation and hotel accommodations together! Ex. www.expedia.com)**

Required Elements

- \$5,000 MAXIMUM budget
- 3 vacation plans
- 5 night/6 day accommodations for each
- AT LEAST 2 recreational activities per trip
- AT LEAST TWO miscellaneous items (ex: camera, sunscreen)

- Spreadsheet with PIE CHARTS (3 different worksheets)
- 40% Accent2 cell style applied (do not include cells that contain the title!)



Helpful Websites

Accommodations and Transportation

- www.travelocity.com
- www.expedia.com
- www.priceline.com

Recreation/Food

- www.vacation.com
- www.recreation.gov
- www.viator.com
- www.tripadvisor.com

Project Calendar

Below you will find your checkpoints for each day. Failure to meet each project checkpoint will result in points deducted from your overall grade, so remember to
STAY ON TASK!

**FWI: NO LATE PROJECTS WILL BE ACCEPTED!!!!!! THIS PROJECT
WILL BE WORTH 100 POINTS AND IS DUE ON TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 10!!!**

Monday, November 2

CHECKLIST:

- 3 vacations chosen _____
- Labels/Titles on all 3 spreadsheets _____
(ONE document, 3 sheets - SAVE TO F DRIVE as "Vacation Project!!)

Teacher's Initials _____

Comments:

Tuesday, November 3

CHECKLIST:

- Research for Vacation #1 COMPLETE _____
- Vacation #1 Budget Sheet complete _____

Teacher's Initials _____

Comments:

Wednesday, November 4

CHECKLIST:

- Research for Vacation #2 COMPLETE _____
- Vacation #2 Budget Sheet complete _____

Teacher's Initials _____

Comments:

Thursday, November 5

CHECKLIST:

- Research for Vacation #3 COMPLETE _____
- Vacation #3 Budget Sheet complete _____

Teacher's Initials _____

Comments:

Friday, November 6

CHECKLIST:

- Vacation #1 Spreadsheet COMPLETE! _____

Teacher's Initials _____

Comments:

Monday, November 9

CHECKLIST:

- Vacation #2 Spreadsheet COMPLETE! _____

Teacher's Initials _____

Comments:

Tuesday, November 10

CHECKLIST:

- Vacation #3 Spreadsheet COMPLETE! _____

- ALL spreadsheets
STAPLED and HANDED IN! _____
(ANSWERS AND FORMULAS!)

- ALL REQUIREMENTS MET!
 - REFER TO RUBRIC! _____

Teacher's Initials _____

Comments:

Vacation #1 Budget Sheet

Vacation Destination: _____

Expenses:

- Cost to get to destination (flight, train, gas money) \$ _____

Transportation (company) using: _____

- Cost of hotel (total cost for all 5 nights!) \$ _____

Name of hotel: _____

- Cost of food (breakfast, lunch, & dinner) \$ _____

- Cost of activities (2) \$ _____

Name of Activities: _____

- Miscellaneous expenses (souvenirs, magazine, etc.) \$ _____

What are they?: _____

- Total cost of Vacation #1 (must be \$5,000 or LESS) \$ _____



Vacation #2 Budget Sheet

Vacation Destination: _____

Expenses:

- Cost to get to destination (flight, train, gas money) \$ _____

Transportation (company) using: _____

- Cost of hotel (total cost for all 5 nights!) \$ _____

Name of hotel: _____

- Cost of food (breakfast, lunch, & dinner) \$ _____

- Cost of activities (2) \$ _____

Name of Activities: _____

- Miscellaneous expenses (souvenirs, magazine, etc.) \$ _____

What are they?: _____

- Total cost of Vacation #1 (must be \$5,000 or LESS) \$ _____



Vacation #3 Budget Sheet

Vacation Destination: _____

Expenses:

- Cost to get to destination (flight, train, gas money) \$ _____

Transportation (company) using: _____

- Cost of hotel (total cost for all 5 nights!) \$ _____

Name of hotel: _____

- Cost of food (breakfast, lunch, & dinner) \$ _____

- Cost of activities (2) \$ _____

Name of Activities: _____

- Miscellaneous expenses (souvenirs, magazine, etc.) \$ _____

What are they?: _____

- Total cost of Vacation #1 (must be \$5,000 or LESS) \$ _____

