Money, money, money
Why budget?

- Lets you control your money – stops money controlling you!
- Helps you to plan within your means
- Helps you to prioritise and decide what matters to you
- Can help you meet goals i.e. If you need to save money to buy a car
- Most importantly, it is an essential life skill!
- Stops you from overspending

Best done monthly
What happens if I don’t budget?

Your social life will be affected

You will find you can’t buy things you want

Friends and family might be willing to help out but equally they might not!

You could lose items such as your car

You might not be able to buy necessities and need to ask for a loan and get into debt

Essentials such as electricity might get cut off

You might not be able to pay rent and get kicked out of your accommodation – where will you go?

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Higher or lower?

Text book
£4.50
£30

Student accommodation
£4,500*
£6,000

Washing powder
£3.50
£10

Term bus pass
£135
£100

Baked beans
£0.50
£0.80

Lightbulb
£3.80
£2.90

80 tea bags
£2.50
£3.00

TV Licence
£147
£170

Max Maintenance Loan
£3,450
£6,350

Hourly minimum wage for apprentices in 1st year*
£8.05
£3.30

What word – just one word – comes into your head when you hear “student finance”?
So, how much could you get per week?

**Full-time student example** (age 18+)

- Maximum Maintenance Loan £8,430
- Divided by 52 weeks = £162 per week.

**Higher level apprentice example** (age 18+)

- A typical annual salary, £16,000
- Divided by 52 weeks (minus tax/NI) = £273 per week.

**Did you know?**
Even if you qualify you don’t have to apply for the full Maintenance Loan.

**For examples of salaries:**
https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch
Activity 1: Budget Busters Game!

1. Decide on a route: full-time study or apprentice?
2. Complete the income part of the budget planner. Use the previous slide to help.
3. Use the employment cards to decide on your employment choice.
4. Complete the outgoings part. Working as a group, or on your own, make decisions based on 7 key areas of outgoings.
5. Don’t forget to factor in the surprise income and outgoings!
## Activity 2: Your Own Budget

We want you to work out how much money you are spending right now on a weekly basis.

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<th>Expenditure</th>
<th>Predicted cost (per week)</th>
<th>Specify</th>
<th>Can a student discount be applied?</th>
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# Top tips and info

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<th>If in full-time study</th>
<th>Open a student bank account</th>
<th>Part-time work</th>
<th>Plan and budget!</th>
<th>Make the most of student discounts</th>
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<td>Take some money with you. You normally get your Maintenance Loan 3 – 5 days after you enroll.</td>
<td>Different banks have different offers, e.g. free 16 – 25 railcard. Many also give you an interest free overdraft.</td>
<td>It is advised that students work a maximum of 10 – 12 hours per week.</td>
<td>Maintenance Loans are paid in three instalments during the year. Apprentice salaries may be paid monthly. So you need to budget to make it last!</td>
<td>The National Union of Students (NUS) card gives you discounts in many shops, restaurants, and cinemas. There are often reductions in travel costs for young people.</td>
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## Example Budget

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<th>Annual Salary</th>
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<td>Monthly Income</td>
<td>£1,266 (after PAYE – pay as you earn, Pension and NI – National Insurance – deductions)</td>
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<td>Rent</td>
<td>£476</td>
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<td>Travel</td>
<td>£96</td>
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<td>Food</td>
<td>£220</td>
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<td>Phone &amp; Internet</td>
<td>£25</td>
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<td>Direct Debit (Gym Membership)</td>
<td>£10</td>
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= **£439** left over for non-work related pursuits

If I divide £439 by 30 (for each day in a month) then that means I could spend **£14.63** each day to live within my earnings.
So how can you manage your money better?

**Do’s**

- **Part-time job**
- **Students 10% off!**

- **NUS**
  - National Union of Students
Any Questions?