



Student worksheet 2: Family profile 2

Names of group members:

Family characteristics	Details and <i>Canada Year Book</i> references	Data for decisions (\$)
Residence	Toronto, Ontario	
Family members	Father and mother with four children, ages 9, 11, 13 and 15, and a 75-year-old grandmother.	
Occupations	Father has gone out west to look for work, with no luck. Mother works as a clerk 48 hours per week at a retail store. Grandmother looks after the house and children.	
Amount of family income from all sources, weekly	Mother's weekly wages: see page 784, Table 3 in the <i>Canada Year Book 1937</i> . Use lowest amounts. Mother's allowance (weekly): see page 780, text information that accompanies Table 31, <i>Canada Year Book 1937</i> . Grandmother's old age pension (weekly): see page 765, Table 27, in the <i>Canada Year Book 1937</i> and calculate the weekly pension.	
Rent, mortgage and debts	See page 800, Table 9, in the <i>Canada Year Book 1937</i> . Create a realistic family budget for the family.	

<p>Expenditures on basic necessities (list with prices)</p>	<p>For food, you must decide on quantities needed to feed the family. Consider that a ton of coal and a gallon of coal oil will last one month.</p> <p>What other incidental or emergency expenditures might the family incur? For incidental things, make educated guesses based on the information about prices of other things in 1936.</p>	
<p>Challenges and problems</p>		

Options for solutions

Final decisions

What would you have liked to have done or bought in 1936 but couldn't?

How would living in the Great Depression have affected your dreams and goals in life?

What did you learn from this activity?
