Suggested Learning Activities

Buying a Car

Objective
Develop a plan for making a major purchase.

Procedure
• Have students compare the advantages and disadvantages of buying a used car vs. buying a new car.
• Have students research types of cars for cost, safety, reliability, and style.
• Invite a car salesperson to speak to the class about factors to consider when choosing a first car.
• Ask a bank official to speak to the class about the loan application process, loan limits, interest rates, and cosigners.
• Ask an insurance agent to speak to the class about the types and costs of car insurance.
• Have students study ads and compare prices and terms of automobile purchases.
• Ask students how what they learned may influence their career choice.

Suggested Assessment
• Student chart showing results of research
• Car selection with explanation of choice