**Ready for the REAL WORLD?**

Picture your perfect life in 10 years, and see what you’ll have to do to support your ideal lifestyle during your first two years in the workforce. Circle your answers in each category and write the cost of your choice on the line under “My Cost.” Add up your total expenses on the last line.

### Housing: I’d like to live in...
- a. A one-bedroom apartment $575  
- b. A one-bedroom apartment with a roommate $250  
- c. A rented two-bedroom house with a roommate $400  
- d. A two-bedroom house that I will own (w/ homeowner’s insurance) $1,030  

### Entertainment: My entertainment will be...
- a. A movie, four times a month $50  
- b. Golfing, three times a month $90  
- c. Surfing the internet and watching cable TV $100  
- d. Biking, rollerblading, hiking and outdoor sports $0  
- e. Attending a concert, once a month $70  

### Transportation: I’d like to drive a...
- a. New economy car $400  
- b. Used economy car $250  
- c. New sports car or truck $700  
- d. Used sports car or truck $450  

### Food: I’d like to...
- a. Buy groceries and cook all my meals $250  
- b. Eat all my meals at fast food restaurants $450  
- c. Cook some and eat out some $300  

### Phone, Utilities, Car Insurance, Doctor/Dentist Visits, etc.
$400

### TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES
$1,480

Can you support your lifestyle? Circle your education plan below and see what your expected monthly income will be. Don’t forget that you should be saving for emergencies and big purchases, too.

### Education plans: I plan to attend...
- a. I don’t plan to finish high school $1,100  
- b. High school and graduate $1,400  
- c. A proprietary (private career) school $2,100  
- d. An apprenticeship program $2,100  
- e. College for two years $2,000  
- f. College for four years $2,800  
- g. College for four years, plus a master’s degree (two years) $3,000  
- h. College for a professional degree (such as law or medical degrees) $5,200