

# How Much Does it Cost?

## Directions:

Using the following form write down what you think the price is for each item. Then research using the internet to find a price for the same item in your local area. See how far off or close you were to guessing the correct price. Then determine, based on the true cost, how much each item will cost for a week, a month and a full year of purchases. Add up all the totals and come up with an amount new parents should be expecting to spend weekly, monthly and yearly. After you have completed the calculations compare your results with the rest of the class.

| Amount                      | Item   | Cost | Week/Month/Year |
|-----------------------------|--|------|-----------------|
| <b>Care for Mom/Baby</b>    |  |      |                 |
|                             | Pre-Natal Care                                       |      |                 |
|                             | Pre-Natal Vitamins                                   |      |                 |
|                             | Delivery Costs                                       |      |                 |
| <b>Health/ Safety Items</b> |  |      |                 |
| 1                           | Baby groom kit—hair brush, clippers, comb & scissors |      |                 |
| 1                           | Digital thermometer                                  |      |                 |
| 1                           | Humidifier/vaporizer                                 |      |                 |
| 1                           | Medicine dropper                                     |      |                 |
| 1                           | Syrup of Ipecac                                      |      |                 |
| 1                           | Toothbrush   |      |                 |
| 1                           | Baby monitor   |      |                 |
| 1                           | Safety gate (per stairway)                           |      |                 |
| 10-15                       | Drawer latches                                       |      |                 |
| 15-20                       | Outlet plug covers                                   |      |                 |
| 1                           | Newborn bathtub                                      |      |                 |
| 4-8                         | Wash cloths  |      |                 |
| 1                           | Bathtub ring   |      |                 |

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| 1                    | Faucet protector     |  |  |
| 2                    | Hooded towels        |  |  |
| 2 per month          | Soap                 |  |  |
| 2 per month          | Lotion               |  |  |
| 2 per month          | Baby oil             |  |  |
| 1 per month          | Petroleum jelly      |  |  |
| 2 per month          | Baby powder          |  |  |
| 1 per month          | Cotton swabs         |  |  |
| 1 per month          | Diaper rash ointment |  |  |
| 1 per month          | Spray disinfectant   |  |  |
| 2 per month          | Mild laundry soap    |  |  |
| 1 per month          | Bleach               |  |  |
| <b>Nursery Items</b> |                      |  |  |
| 1                    | Crib                 |  |  |
| 1                    | Crib mattress        |  |  |
| 4-6                  | Crib sheets          |  |  |
| 4-6                  | Crib blankets        |  |  |
| 2                    | Crib pad             |  |  |
| 6-8                  | Receiving blankets   |  |  |
| 1                    | Mobile               |  |  |
| 1                    | Crib activity center |  |  |
| 1                    | Changing table       |  |  |
| 1                    | Changing table pad   |  |  |
| 1                    | Cradle or bassinet   |  |  |
| 1                    | Sleeping wedge       |  |  |
| <b>Diaper Items</b>  |                      |  |  |
| 2 per month          | Baby wipes           |  |  |
| 1                    | Large diaper bag     |  |  |

Accompanies: Are You Ready to Parent?

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|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1                            | Daypack diaper bag                     |  |  |
| 10-12 per day                | Disposable diapers                     |  |  |
| 10-12 per day                | Cloth diapers                          |  |  |
| 1                            | Diaper pail                            |  |  |
| 4-6                          | Diaper covers                          |  |  |
| <b>For Mom</b>               |  |  |  |
| 1                            | Breast pump                            |  |  |
| 10-12 per pack               | Washable nursing pads                  |  |  |
| 2-3                          | Nursing bra                            |  |  |
| <b>Bottles &amp; Formula</b> |  |  |  |
| 4-6                          | 4 oz bottles                           |  |  |
| 4-6                          | 8 oz bottles                           |  |  |
| 4-6 per day                  | Bottle inserts (drop-ins)              |  |  |
| 1                            | Bottle brush                           |  |  |
| 10-12                        | Nipples                                |  |  |
| 4-6                          | Cloth bibs                             |  |  |
| 4-6                          | Plastic bibs                           |  |  |
| 12 oz per day                | Formula concentrated/<br>Ready to feed |  |  |
| <b>Other Items</b>           |  |  |  |
| 2-3                          | Pacifiers                              |  |  |
| 2                            | Pacifier holders                       |  |  |
| 1                            | Infant car seat                        |  |  |
| 1                            | Toddler car seat                       |  |  |
| 1                            | Combo front/back carrier               |  |  |
| 1                            | Infant sling                           |  |  |
| 1                            | Stroller                               |  |  |
| 1                            | Play yard                              |  |  |

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| 1             | Swing                |  |  |
| 1             | Doorway jumper       |  |  |
| 4-6           | Rattles              |  |  |
| 2-3 per month | Toys                 |  |  |
| 12            | Books                |  |  |
| 4-6           | Onesies              |  |  |
| 3-4           | Hats & booties       |  |  |
| 4-6           | Sleep & play outfits |  |  |
| 4-6           | Gowns                |  |  |
| 3-6 per month | Outfits              |  |  |
| 2-4 per month | Socks                |  |  |
| 1             | Coat                 |  |  |
| 2             | Warm suits           |  |  |