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HOW TO PLAN FOR MAJOR PURCHASES
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- Borrowing money
- Car Options*
  + Leasing (or do you want to own a “wasting” asset)
  + Buying
- Other major purchases
  + When to finance (matching use with payment)
- Insurance for major purchases
- Purchase guidelines

*We will focus on purchasing a car because this is generally the first major purchase college grads will budget for
BORROWING MONEY
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- Words that describe borrowing
  + Borrow
  + Finance
  + Credit
  + Loan
- All mean the same thing
  + Upfront cash
  + Repay borrowed amount over time
  + Pay interest and fees (see sample to follow)
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PLACES TO BORROW MONEY

- Most common options
  - Banks
  - Credit Unions
- Most expensive options
  - Finance companies
  - Payday loans
- Family
CAR OPTIONS
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- Paying Cash
  - About 12% of cars

- Leasing
  - 15%-20% of new cars are leased (see FX35 lease)

- Buying with a car loan
- Limit payment to 15% of your income
## Leasing

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LEASING

- **Advantages**
  - Lower monthly payments
  - Drive newer car more often

- **Disadvantages**
  - You don’t own the car - you rent it
  - Possible penalties at the end of the lease
  - You could possibly be responsible for maintenance
  - Very expensive to get out of lease early
LEASING TERMS

- Capitalization or Drive-off Costs
  - Similar to down payment when buying a car
  - Up-front cash needed to lease a car

- Monthly payment
  - Monthly “rent” to use the car
  - Terms are 24 to 48 months

- Other fees
  - Refundable security deposit
  - First and/or last month’s payment
POSSIBLE LEASING FEES

- Excess mileage fee
  - 10,000 to 15,000 mile annual limit
  - 12 to 25 cents per mile over limit fee

- Excess wear and tear
  - Tires, body damage, etc.
  - Outlined in lease

- Residual
  - Cost at the end of lease to purchase vehicle
CAR BUYING CONSIDERATIONS

**Advantages**
- You own the vehicle
- A quality car can last 10 years or more

**Disadvantages**
- Depreciation - many new cars lose 50% of their value over the first three years
BUYING A CAR

- Consider a used car
  - Lower cost than a new car
  - Afford more car and higher quality than if you went for a new model
  - Look for low mileage

- Treat each transaction separately
  - What’s the price of the car?
  - How much for your trade-in?
  - What is the car loan interest rate?
  - Cost of extended warranties and other add-ons?
BUYING A CAR

- Get pre-approved before you car shop
  - Know how much car you can afford
- What’s the price of the car?
  - MSRP- Manufacturer’s Suggested Retail Price
  - Focus on the total cost, not the payment
  - A lower payment may cost more
Buying a Car

- How many months is the loan term?
- What is the loan interest rate?

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BUYING A CAR

- If you have a car to trade...
  + Visit www.kbb.com
  + Determine your trade-in value
- Extended warranties and add-ons
  + Are they needed?
  + How much is the total cost with interest?
YOUR NEXT CAR

- Consider a used car
  + Online
  + Newspaper
  + Car dealers
- Compare leasing vs. buying
  + Visit online calculators
- Take time to understand your contract
- Buy quality and keep for a long time
OTHER MAJOR PURCHASES
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- Appliances
- Computer
- Furniture
- Car repairs
- Electronics
- Real Estate/Home
WHEN TO FINANCE

- When the loan is paid off will...
  - I remember what I bought?
  - The item have value?
  - The total cost (item + interest) be worth it?

- Yes to all three = Good loan
- No to one = Save for it
INCENTIVES

- 10% off when you open a credit account
  + Watch out for high interest rates
- Same as cash
  + Usually 6 to 12 months to repay
  + Interest accumulates during repayment
  + If loan repaid on time, interest is removed
  + If not repaid on time, interest is added to amount owed
INSURANCE FOR MAJOR PURCHASES
Insurance Types

- Auto
- Renter’s
- Credit Protection
- Extended warranties
INSURANCE

- Premium
- Deductable
- Payment

Do I need insurance?

- If I lost (major purchase) would my life significantly change?
- If I lost (major purchase) could I afford to repair/replace it?
AUTO INSURANCE

- Comprehensive
- Collision
- Many state laws require auto insurance
- Reduce auto insurance costs
  - Increase deductible
  - Choose an older car
  - Re-consider owning a sports car

My 1988, 35th Anniversary, Limited Edition Corvette
RENTER’S INSURANCE

- For a house or an apartment
- Protects your personal property
  - Fire
  - Theft
  - Vandalism
CREDIT PROTECTION

- Offered with:
  - Credit cards
  - Auto loans
  - Home loans

- Pays monthly payments in event of:
  - Illness
  - Unemployment

- Can be expensive
  - Monthly costs up to $9 per $1,000 owed
EXTENDED WARRANTIES

- For electronics and appliances
- Repair or replacement of item
- Covers a specific period of time
- In addition to warranty
- Can be expensive
- Prevent this cost by buying quality goods
PURCHASE GUIDELINES
GENERAL PURCHASING GUIDELINES

- Borrow wisely
- Treat all transactions separately
- When the loan is paid off will...
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  - The total cost (item + interest) be worth it?
- Insurance guidelines
QUESTIONS???

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