

Task Title: Finding an Affordable Apartment

OALCF Cover Sheet – Learner Copy

Learner Name:		
Date Started:		
Date Completed:		
Successful Completion:	Yes No	
Goal Path:	Employment	Apprenticeship
Secondary School	Post Secondary	Independence

Task Description: The learner will set a budget for housing and search for a suitable apartment.

Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:

- Communicate Ideas and Information/Write continuous text/B2.1
- Communicate Ideas and Information/Complete and create documents/B3.1a
- Understand and Use Numbers/Manage money/C1.2
- Use Digital Technology/D.2

Materials Required:

- Pen/pencil and paper
- Computer
- Calculator or digital device with calculator function

Learner Information

Before setting out to rent a room or an apartment, it is important to know what is affordable.

Work Sheet

Task 1: 40% of a person's total monthly income is a good measure of what is affordable for housing. Calculate how much a person can afford to spend on rent based on the monthly income amounts shown in the chart.

Answer:

Monthly Income	40% Housing Cost	
\$1,500		
\$2,500		
\$3,500		

Open up a search engine on the web browser of the computer. Search for "apartment and room rentals" for your town or city.

Task 2: Based on your calculation in Task 1, find three apartments for rent that are affordable based on a \$3,500 monthly income. Fill in the chart with details about each apartment.

Answer:

	Apartment 1	Apartment 2	Apartment 3
Price			
Location			
Number of Bedrooms and Bathrooms			
Utilities that are included (e.g. water or electricity)			

Task 3: In three or four sentences, explain which apartment you would choose and why.

Answer: