

# PLAY: The Bean Game

**Directions:** Open up [The Bean Game](#) and follow your teacher’s instructions to complete the game. Then, answer the questions below.

## Part I: Round One Discussion Questions

1. Why did you choose the items you did?

2. In what ways were you influenced by your values, goals, and previous experiences?

3. Compare what you spent your beans on with another student in your group. What similarities and differences did you notice?

Similarities	Differences

## Part II: Round Two Discussion Questions

4. What kind of items did you choose to give up? Why?

5. What did you learn about yourself and money in this process?

6. Compare your budget-cutting choices with another student in your group. What similarities did you notice? What differences?

Similarities	Differences

**Part III: Reflection**

7. What was the process you used when you placed your beans? What was easy and difficult about the process?

8. If you were with a partner/group, what would you do differently if you did this activity on your own? Or if you did this activity individually, what decisions do you think you would have to negotiate on if you worked with a partner/group?

9. Did the cost of any of the categories surprise you? Which ones and why?