

Money Magnifier®



ACTIVITY GUIDE – SPLIT THE ROOM

The goal of this activity is to encourage students to choose between what they would like to save for, as well as explain their choices. They will also have the opportunity to choose between charities of where they could give money/time and explain why they would make those choices.

FF&F Pillar: Save (with Giving Back)

Time to Complete: 30 – 45 minutes

Grade Levels: 6-8

Materials Needed:

Use the included discussion scenarios (list provided below).

Teachers may also create their own list of discussion scenarios.

Instructions:

Students will stand in the middle of the room. Two different items will be called out representing two opposite sides of the room. Students will then move to the side of the room representing their choice. The teacher can then call on students to explain why they chose that item/side of the room.

Students will be asked why it is important to give back and to donate time/money to charities. The teacher will then name two different charities and what their purpose is representing the two sides of the room. The students will then be asked to represent their choice by choosing a side and then explaining why they chose that charity.

Discussion Scenarios:

- 1 year for a new computer OR 1 month for a new pair of shoes
- 6 months for a new pair of AirPods OR 1 month for more affordable headphones
- 3 years for a new car OR 6 months for a new bicycle
- 1 month for a new video game OR 1 week for a movie ticket
- 3 months for name brand shoes OR 1 month for affordable shoes
- 2 weeks for a fancy restaurant OR 1 week for fast food

- 10 years for a new house OR 5 years for a fancy car
- 1 year for a big vacation OR 6 months for a theme park ticket
- 2 months for a name brand hoodie OR 1 week for an affordable hoodie
- 1 month for a name brand shirt OR 1 week for an affordable T-shirt
- 3 months for a new name brand bag OR 2 weeks for an affordable bag
- 1 year for a new motorcycle OR 6 months for an electric scooter
- 1 year for a first-class plane ticket OR 3 months for a main cabin plane ticket
- 6 months for a new television or 3 months for a used television

Would you rather donate money to:

- animal shelter OR to a homeless shelter
- children's charity OR to a human rights charity
- Support our Vet's charity OR access to Clean Water Charity
- Hospital Charity or Refugee Charity

Would you rather volunteer (donate your time to) at:

- a soup kitchen OR help build a home for someone in need
- an animal shelter OR a children's hospital
- A fun run, walk to support the fight against Cancer OR a High school car wash for an updated community Library
- Clean up your local park or read to little kids at your local library

Discussion Questions:

Which item/side of the room did you choose?

Why did you make that choice?

What makes you passionate about the shelter or charity of your choice?

What are the pros of assisting the shelter/charity that you did not choose?