



Backpack-tivity: An @Home Learning Activity

Going Back to School Can Be Expensive!

Introduction:

As you complete this activity, you will discover how much money your family spends to get one child ready for a new school year.

Materials:

You'll need a pen or pencil and Going Back to School Can Be Expensive! worksheet at http://www.educationworld.com/a_lesson/TM/WS_lp319-04.shtml.

Directions:

You'll need a pen or pencil and the "Going Back to School Can Be Expensive!" worksheet...

Talk About It:

What decisions could you and your family make to lower those costs? What decisions might school leaders make that would save families money?

Learn More:

Visit msn Money <http://moneycentral.msn.com/articles/family/kids/tlkidscost.asp> to learn about more costs of raising children. Find the cost of food, housing, clothing, and so on for a child your age for one year and make a pie chart showing what part of the total cost each item represents.

This activity was completed by _____ and _____.