Conservation Activity

SHOP AROUND
(Homework, 30 minutes)

Practice finding the best value by comparing products, services, and brands.

One way to save money is to shop around for the best value. This means paying attention to how much an item costs at one store compared to another store, or what one brand costs compared to a similar brand.

Use the chart below to compare four or five popular items at your local grocery store(s) and see what is the best value. Share your findings with the class.

Variations:

- Practice finding businesses in a phone book or on the Internet. Research or contact at least two or three businesses in order to find the best value on items such as a car oil change, a pepperoni pizza, a bag of dog food, or a new computer.
- Practice your phone conversation skills:
  1) Speak clearly: "Hello, I'm looking for _____ and how much it will cost.
  2) Wait patiently: "No problem. I can wait."
  3) Express gratitude: "Thank you for helping me."

Price Comparison

Item	Brand	Store	Location	Price	Quantity	Price/Qty.
Frozen Orange Juice	Orange Delight	Frank's Grocery	West Loop Drive	$2.50	8 oz.	31¢ / oz.
Frozen Orange Juice	Juicey Time	Super Save	Butterfield Road	$2.10	10 oz.	21¢ / oz.

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