

Name of Course: Senior Survival

Course Overview:
Senior Survival helps students to navigate the vast array of challenges of immersion into the real world and to become knowledgeable about mathematical and financial elements they will encounter in their daily lives. Students will become aware and be able to perform various personal finance applications.

Unit of Study	Essential Question(s)	Content/Skill/Concept	Instructional Strategies
Dollars and sense	How do warranties, pricing, and individual discounts impact individuals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Warranties• Unit Pricing• Sales Tax• Discounts• Retail pricing	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Getting a job	Why do individuals need to know about job searching and forms of various compensation?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Job search• Pay periods• Hourly pay• Commissions• Piecework pay• Insurance	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Income Taxes	How do taxes and social security play a role in individuals lives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social security• Tax tables• Tax rates• Income tax• Net pay• Filing returns• Deductions & credits	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Banking	What are the kinds of investment and money holding methods available to consumers?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Savings accounts• Compound interest• Savings plans• Checking accounts• Reconciliation procedures	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing

			Practical Skills
Independent Living	What are the advantages and disadvantages of buying a home versus renting a residence?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choosing to move • Renting an apartment • Buying a home • Condo living/Co-op 	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Transportation & Travel	What are the expenses associated with buy a car and traveling?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertisement • Automobile statistics • Insurance • Maintenance • Renting/leasing a car • Buying an airplane ticket • Vacation planning 	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Budgeting	What is the importance of budgeting?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly bills • Insurance • Budgeting practices • Technological aids 	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Consumer Credit	How can consumer credit affect financial situations?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paying for goods • Installment plans • Leasing v. purchase • Lending institutions • Consumer loans • Credit card statements • Average daily balance 	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Stocks and bonds	How do stocks and bonds work?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business organization • Stock tables • Stock transactions • Broker commissions • Dividend Income • Corporate bonds 	Lecture Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
Financial Information	How do individuals read financial information with	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bar graphs 	Lecture

	various forms of graphical data?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Line graphs• Circle graphs• Pictographs• Stock trend	Independent Classwork Small Group Work Individual Research Role Playing Practical Skills
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