



[Ikea catalogue in English](#) ( Dollars )

[Ikea Catalogue in French](#) (Swiss Francs = CHF)

[Ikea Catalogue in German](#) (Swiss Francs = CHF)

[Ikea Catalogue in Spanish](#) ( Euros costs in Spain)

[Ikea Catalogue in Japanese](#) ( Japanese Yen)

You are about to move into your new flat and will be living alone.

You have a budget of CHF 5 000

= \$5 000 if you are using the English catalogue

= 5 000 euros if you are using the Spanish catalogue

= 600 000 yen if using the Japanese catalogue

to buy all the furniture you may need for when you first move into your home.

1. Look through the Ikea catalogue and select furniture you will buy.
2. Copy the image of each piece of furniture and paste below.
3. Beneath each piece of furniture, type the cost and then round to what you think it ought to be rounded to to mentally add easily.
4. After you copy and paste an image, shrink its size so your document is easy to read.

For example,



Cost: CHF 369; Round up to CHF 400



Cost: CHF 349; Round up to CHF 350

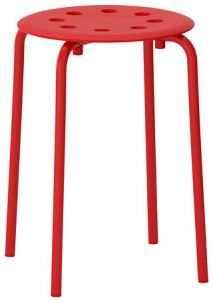


Cost: CHF 669; Round up to CHF 700



Cost: CHF 12.95; ROUND to 13.00

4. As you are shopping, keep adding your rounded purchases on scrap paper.
5. When you think you have reached approximately CHF 5 000 (or \$5 000 or 5 000 euros or 600 000 yen), stop shopping. Then use a calculator to add the exact total.
6. Answer these two questions:
  - a) Was your rounding estimating close or not? Why or why not?
  - b) Was rounding the prices a useful strategy or not? Explain why or why not.



Cost: 3,99 euros

rounded:4,00 euros

