

Community
Lesson Plan—Developing
Saving Money with Coupons

Instructional Area: Leisure Community Home Living / Daily Living
Ability Level: Emerging Developing Mastery

Topic / Skill Outcome:

- Learn different means of saving money when shopping

Learning Area(s):

- Literacy
- Math & Science
- Personal Resource Management

Purpose of Lesson / Objective:

- Awareness of sale items and coupons

Materials / Equipment / Environment:

- Weekend ads and coupons from discount stores such as Target, Wal-Mart or K-Mart
- Calculator
- Writing pad
- Scissors
- Pen or pencil
- Discount store located in the community
- Transportation

Group Size: 4-5 **Time Required:** 50 minutes- 3 opportunities
(more sessions needed if you do supporting activities)

Lesson Procedure:

1. Week 1
 - a. Students prepare a shopping list and estimate costs of items from Sunday store ads
 - b. Students cut out coupons and read expiration date and information both in large and small print on the coupons
2. Week 2
 - a. Students compare and contrast prices for similar and dissimilar items
 - b. Students review which items tend to have discount coupons
3. Week 3
 - a. Students go on a community trip and write down the prices for the items on their list
 - b. They note which items are sale items
 - c. They also note which items they have coupons for and what the regular price is versus the coupon price.

Carry Over / Related Activities:

- The student can review ads and determine what is the better price

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Supporting Activities / Possible Adaptations:

- Students can eye point to the item they want from a selection of two coupons
- Students can use picture cards to match to the coupons
- Students can review coupons form similar items and determine which manufacturer's have better discounts

Strategies for Participation:



Student Reaction / Evaluation:

