# Worksheets: How To Afford Everything

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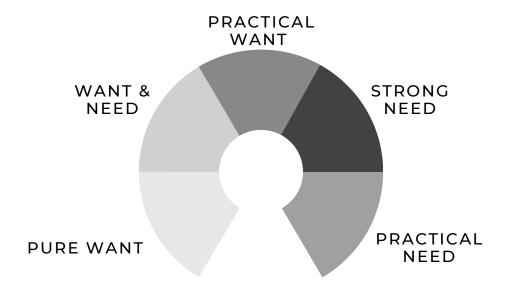
### Hmm... do you really need it?

This worksheet provides an objective perspective on your potential purchases, helping to ensure that it's a wise and beneficial decision.

Do I need this item or do I just want it? Will this purchase fulfill a basic necessity or is it for pleasure?	Do I need this item How often will I use this item?  Is it a one-time use or will it be used regularly?	Is the cost of the item justified by the value it provides?  Am I paying for quality or just for the brand?
Does this purchase fit within my current budget?  Will buying this now cause financial strain in the near future?	Is this a long-term investment or a short-term gratification? Will this item hold its value over time?	Am I making this purchase on impulse or after careful consideration? Am I buying this to feel better emotionally?

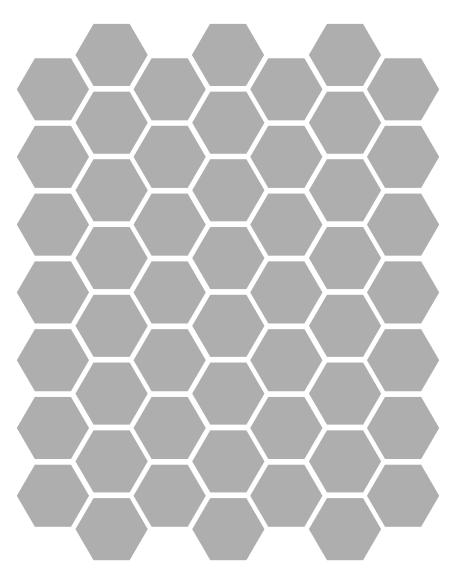
### The Spending Spectrum

Rank your shopping desires by writing them in the segment that best corresponds with their importance.



# Progress Tracker

Write a goal in each spot. Color the spot when you reach the corresponding milestone.



# Use this worksheet to map out your budget.

# Monthly Budget

MONTH

VARIABLE / OTHER EXPENSES				
Date	Description	Notes	Amount	

SAVINGS				
Account	Name	Starting Balance	Amount	End Balance

Total Income			
Minus fixed expenses			
Minus savings			
Left for variable expenses			
End Balance			

## The Ultimate Finance Tracker

Education				
DATE	AMOUNT			

Travel				
DATE	AMOUNT			

Gifts				
DATE	AMOUNT			

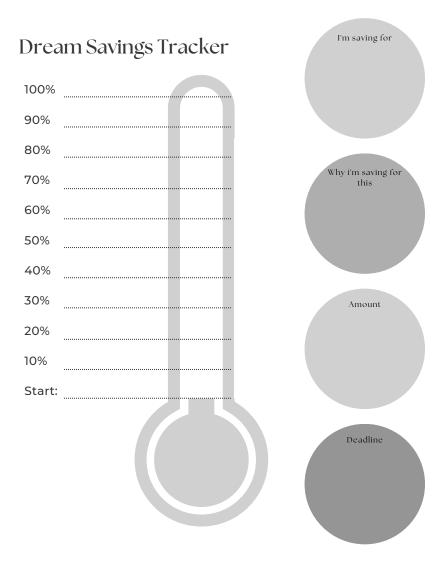
Personal Spending				
DATE	AMOUNT			

## Payment Progress Tracker

Use this activity sheet to document your progress towards debt liberation.

CREDITOR	REDITOR TARGET PAYOFF DATE			
ACCOUNT NO	T NO TYPE			
START BALANCE	TART BALANCE MINIMUM PAYMENT			
CREDIT LIMIT		INTEREST RATE		
BALANCE	MINIMUM PAYMENT	AMOUNT PAID	DATE PAID	CONFIRMATION
NOTES:				
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Think of a goal that you've been trying to reach. When you reach a milestone, fill in the tracker.



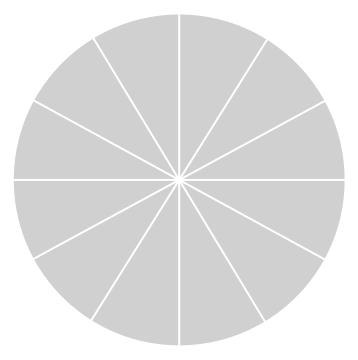
## **Yearly Saving Goals**

Use this calendar to map out your yearly savings goals.

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
OCOTBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER

#### The Deduction Circle

Use the list on the previous page to help you identify potential deductions and credits. Fill in each slice on this page if you qualify for any of the deductions or credits mentioned on page 95.



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### **Investment Dreamboard**

Jot down your investment goals using this investment dreamboard. Color in the first column once you've invested in the corresponding company.

INVESTED?	TYPE/NAME	COST	AMOUNT	DATE
		TOTAL		

#### **Donation Tracker**

Use this activity sheet to track your donations for the month. Put an "X" through each day you donated or participated in anything philanthropic.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

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### Income Tracker

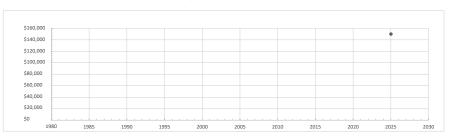
End Date:	
TYPE	AMOUNT

## My Career Map

Fill in the tiles to document your career highlights and map your earnings. To get your annualized salary amount, multiply your hourly rate by 2,080 for full time work.

First job	Most recent job	Dream job
Pay:	Pay:	Title:
I loved:	I love:	Pay:
I didn't love:	I would change:	Why this excites me:
Best/ Favorite job	Most impressive title	Worst job
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		,
Title:	Title:	Title:

#### Map your salary history here:



## Income & Expense Tracker

Use this activity sheet to record and manage your monthly financial flows.

month	income	expenses	difference	notes
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY				
MARCH				
APRIL				
MAY				
JUNE				
JULY				
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER				
OCTOBER				
NOVEMBER				
DECEMBER				
TOTAL				
WHAT WERE THE BE	EST MONTHS? WHY?	W	HAT WERE THE WORS	ST MONTHS? WHY?

### Fiscal Dreams

Write out your aspirations for a financially empowered future.