

SPENT

	Total Points Earned
24	Total Points Possible
	Percentage

Name _____

Date _____

Class _____

Directions: Today you will accept the challenge of life and make spending decisions for a month on a limited income. The choices you make will be hard! You may need to utilize social capital and get support from others along the way. Go to <http://playspent.org/>. While playing the game, use the table below to keep track of the choices you make, what you had to give up to make that choice (trade-off), and how much money you have at each point. After you have completed the game, answer the reflection questions below.

During the game:

Complete the table below while playing the SPENT game. (10 points for completion)

Occupation: _____ Starting Pay: _____ Weekly Pay Amount: _____

Choice Made <i>What option did you choose?</i>	Trade-off <i>What trade-off did you make by choosing this option?</i>	Income <i>What was it from and how much was it?</i>	Expense <i>What is it and how much did it cost?</i>	Balance <i>How much money do you have?</i>
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After the game:

Answer the following reflection questions.

1. Were you able to make it through the month on your income? If so, did you have to make some tough decisions that would be hard to make in real life? If not, what could you have done differently to save money? (2 points)
2. Did you make choices because you wanted to win the game or based upon what you would do in real life? Explain. (2 points)
3. Did you have to make decisions that negatively affected well-being? Give one example. (2 points)
4. If this was real life, would any of the choices you made in the game have negative consequences for your future? Explain. (2 points)
5. If you would have had more access to social capital such as family and friends as choices during the game would you have made different choices? Would you have been able to save money? (2 points)
6. If this was real life, give two examples of how you could have used your social capital to help you through the month. (2 points)
7. What is one non-profit organization that could have helped you? Explain the non-profit is and how it could have helped you. (2 points)