

A Snapshot of My Future

Directions: Log on to the Jump\$Start website at <http://jumpstartcoalition.com/reality-check.html> Read the introductory paragraph and click on Enter. Answer each question by clicking on the button to the left of the desired item. When finished, click on Reality Check to get your results. Copy and paste the results below or take a screenshot and insert image below, then answer the questions.

Based on what you told us, and after deducting 20% for state and federal taxes, you would need to make at least this much to support your lifestyle:

\$123.68 per hour OR \$4,947.20 per week

Want to know what jobs you need to support your lifestyle? Here are a few jobs that fall into this pay scale:

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Just to give you an idea of what it would take to get a job in your price range, here's the average hourly salary earned by level of education.

\$6.15 to \$8.40	Minimum Wage (Varies by state and can be lower for small businesses)
\$10.60	Less than a High School Diploma
\$15.25	High School Graduate
\$17.40	Some college, Associate Degree
\$24.85	Bachelor's Degree
\$27.15	Bachelor's Degree and higher
\$31.47	Advanced Professional Degree

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1. Briefly summarize how you want your future to look when you live on your own, by describing your wants in the following areas: (5 points)

Expenditure area	Wants
Housing:	A house on the beach
Transportation:	I will get a used 2008 camry
Food:	Eat at home but go out like once a month
Clothing:	Only get new clothes when I get a paycheck
Entertainment:	Watch movies at home on my own tv

2. Were there more expenses than you imagined? Why or why not? (2 points)

No because I knew all about all of them

3. What is one expense that you might be able to eliminate or decrease? Why? (2 points)

I will be able to estimate the price on the clothes because it tells you right on the tag

4. What is one expense you would NOT be willing to give up? Why? (2 points)

I would not be willing to give up my health insurance just in case I get in an accident or something

5. How much money would you need to make per hour? Per month? (2 points)

I would need to make about \$10 an hour and about \$30,000 a month

6. List one occupation and its salary that falls into this pay scale. (1 point)

Working at my mom's preschool

7. What level of education will you need to obtain this occupation? (1 point)

Bachelor's degree

8. Why does education level impact your salary? (1 point)

It impacts on how much education you had in your younger days

9. Identify one step you can take at this point in your life to help you reach your desired income level and occupation. (1 point)

Go to school and apply for jobs that will help you lead up to your future job