

BUILDING BLOCKS STUDENT WORKSHEET

Understanding ways to pay for education after high school

When you start to think about your education after you graduate from high school, it’s important to know what options you have.

It can also be helpful to talk with a parent or guardian about your options so you can plan for a solution that would be best for your family.

Instructions

- 1 Watch a video and review a webpage about federal student aid.
- 2 Answer the questions in the tables.
- 3 Work independently to complete the worksheet’s “Plan your conversation” section and the reflection questions.

Exploring federal student aid

Watch the video at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types> and use the information from the video to complete the table.

| What three types of federal student aid are discussed in this video? | Do you have to repay this type of aid? |
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| 1. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 3. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |



Exploring other types of aid

Visit <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships> and use the information on the page to complete the table.

| What two types of aid are discussed on this page? | Do you have to repay this type of aid? |
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| 1. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

Plan your conversation

Answer the questions below to plan your conversation.

1. Whom should you talk to about your options for paying for education after high school?
2. When should you talk to them?
3. What two things would you want to talk about in this conversation?

Reflection questions

1. Which options for paying for education after high school might be best for you? Why?
2. Why is it important to start thinking about education after high school now?