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DECISION-MAKING
ACTIVITY SHEET 1

But I Really Want It!

Want or Need?

Nikki's big brother, Marcus, is going to culinary school, and his dream is to own a bakery someday. Not surprisingly, he loves any kind of sweet treat! He is also a big country music fan. Marcus wants Nikki to go shopping with him for things he thinks he needs next semester.

1. Look at Marcus's shopping list. Are these *wants* or *needs*?



Cookbook and supplies

Want or need? _____

Explain your thinking:



Cowboy boots

Want or need? _____

Explain your thinking:



Gourmet chocolate chip cookies

Want or need? _____

Explain your thinking:

2. Marcus couldn't find the textbook in town, but he and Nikki found several options online:



Bookstore A

New, plus shipping
\$97



Bookstore B

New, free shipping
\$90



Bookstore C

Used, \$10 shipping fee
\$47

Which book should Marcus buy? _____

Explain your thinking:

Answer Key: (1a) A need, because Marcus must have the book for his baking class; his culinary education is an investment in his future career. (1b) While shoes can be a need, fancy cowboy boots are definitely a want. (1c) Food can be a need, but a gourmet snack is a want. (2) Bookstore C. The used book is the cheapest; even after shipping costs are included.