

Re-use cascade training session plan



Theme

Hiring/Leasing/Borrowing

Objectives

To get participants to consider whether they need to buy items or whether they could actually hire, lease or borrow them and consider the pros and cons of both.

Outcomes

An audit of items in the participants' house that could potentially have been hired, leased or borrowed instead of bought. If time/facilities, also a list of possible sources of those items.

You will need

- Pen and paper
- Optional: Access to a computer or smart phone for every individual
- Optional: Internet/wifi access
- Or a Yellow Pages/phone book

Instructions for the group

It's quite normal for people to rent houses, but not the contents.

Your task is

- 1) To list items in your home that could potentially have been hired, leased or borrowed instead of bought.
- 2) Against each of those items, write the pros and cons of hiring, leasing or borrowing them instead of buying them.
- 3) **Optional** - If there is internet access, find a supplier that hires out the items on the list (or name someone you could borrow things off).

Consider large items in your house as well as the smaller items, including electronics and the contents of garages/sheds.

Hints/useful links

If the group are struggling, the following might help (nb. We are not recommending these companies – they are just examples of the sorts of things you can rent):

- Clothing girlmeetsdress.com (online clothing hire)
- Clothing mudjeans.eu (jeans leasing)
- White goods rmtv.co.uk forbes-rentals.co.uk/index.asp
- TVs rmtv.co.uk (can rent short term for special events) or forbes-rentals.co.uk/index.asp
- Vacuum cleaners rmtv.co.uk
- Mobility scooters forbes-rentals.co.uk/index.asp
- Tents, sleeping bags etc expeditionkithire.co.uk/index.html
- Phones o2rentals.co.uk/
- DVDs amazon.co.uk/lovefilm
- Furniture furniturerental.co.uk
- Tools edinburghtoollibrary.org.uk/

