

Headphones Situation Statement

Taylor is a high school student who loves listening to music and watching videos and scrolling on social media. She needs a pair of headphones that are comfortable to wear for long periods and work well with her tablet and phone. Since she walks to school in all weather, she wants headphones that can handle rain or sweat. She prefers the in ear style rather than over ear. Her parents gave her a \$100 budget.

#1 Beats Solo Buds True Wireless Bluetooth Earbuds



- Price: \$79.99
- Various Colors: Artic Purple, Matte Black, Storm Gray, Transparent Red
- Whether walking in the rain or working out, these are designed for music first with a custom-built sound system with waterproofing exterior
- Passive noise Isolation to minimize micro-distortions to ensure high-fidelity sound
- The smallest case we've ever made, making these powerful earbuds the perfect on-the-go companion.
- Four ear tip sizes (XS, S, M, L) to fit a wider range of ears for enhanced, all day comfort.
- Up to 18 hours of battery life.
- Compatible with both iOS and Android

#2 RAYCON Bone Conduction Headphones



- \$94.99
- Colors: royal blue, violet, gray, cool mint, watermelon
- Open design allowing for real-time awareness.
Traditional headphones close you off, but ours keep your ears completely open. Stay aware of your surroundings and remain connected for a safer, smarter way to listen. Perfect for working out.
- Lightweight fit with no unnecessary weight
- 13-hour battery
- iOS and Android compatible
- IP 68 Waterproof to weather the storm
- Perfectly Tuned Tunes: Powerful audio that doesn't trap you in. Innovative bone conduction technology delivers optimum beats in prime clarity without the ear annoyances.

#3 Skull Candy Hesh® ANC Wireless Headphones



- Color: True Black, Mod White, Preppy Sage
- \$94.99
- Rapid Charge (10 mins = 3 hours) with 22 hours of fully charged battery life
- Active Noise Cancelling
- Auto Connect and Bluetooth v 5.0 Connection with optional wired connection
- Over the ear design for maximum comfort
- Flat-folding and collapsible design
- Perfect for music, social media, and entertainment

#4 Apple AirPods 4



- \$101.99
- AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation featuring a totally transformed audio experience with Adaptive Audio and Transparency mode, and an updated fit for all-day comfort.
- Adaptive Audio seamlessly blends Active Noise Cancellation and transparency mode
- Long battery life, get up to 4 hours of listening time on a single charge and up to 20 hours using the case.
- Dust, sweat, and water resistant airpods 4 and the charging case are rated ip54 dust, sweat, and water resistant, so they'll withstand rain and heavy workouts
- Wireless, Bluetooth, earbud design
- Built-in Microphone, Voice-Activated

Placing: 1-4-2-3

Cuts: 1,2,3

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
1,4	1 meets all needs, is waterproof, wireless, earbuds with different size ear tips, and is only \$79.99	4 has a slightly longer case battery life	4 is over budget at \$101.99, but only by \$1.99
Middle Pair			
4,2	4 is the desirable style of headphones with all of the features requested (besides budget)	2 is a cheaper price while meeting many of the desired features	2 is a bone conduction style, not the desired in ear style
Bottom Pair			
2,3	2 is water proof and not over ear	3 is designed for music, social media and has the longest battery life	3 is not water or sweat proof

Chips/Crunchy Snacks Situation Statement

Alvaro usually eats a banana everyday but is searching for a crunchy snack to switch things up during his mid-afternoon snack break at school. While he knows chips do not have as much potassium as a banana, he hopes to find a snack with higher potassium. He also wants a low-calorie and lower sodium snack as well. With his weekly allowance, he can afford up to \$0.75 per bag.

#1 Cheetos

Nutrition Facts	
1 serving per container	
Serving size	1 package
Amount per serving	
Calories	160
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 10g	13%
Saturated Fat 1.5g	8%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 250mg	11%
Total Carbohydrate 15g	6%
Dietary Fiber less than 1g	3%
Total Sugars less than 1g	
Protein 2g	
Vit. D 0mcg 0%	Calcium 10mg 0%
Iron 0.4mg 2%	Potas. 50mg 0%
Not a significant source of added sugars.	
* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.	



INGREDIENTS: ENRICHED CORN MEAL (CORN MEAL, FERROUS SULFATE, NIACIN, THIAMIN MONONITRATE, RIBOFLAVIN, FOLIC ACID), VEGETABLE OIL (CORN, CANOLA, AND/OR SUNFLOWER OIL), CHEESE SEASONING (WHEY, CHEDDAR CHEESE [MILK, CHEESE CULTURES, SALT, ENZYMES], CANOLA OIL, MALTODEXTRIN [MADE FROM CORN]), NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL FLAVORS, SALT, WHEY PROTEIN CONCENTRATE, MONOSODIUM GLUTAMATE, LACTIC ACID, CITRIC ACID, ARTIFICIAL COLOR [YELLOW 6]), AND SALT.
CONTAINS MILK INGREDIENTS.

- Cheetos Crunchy Cheese Flavored Snacks
- Snack Size (1 oz.)
- Gluten Free
- Contains: Milk Ingredients
- \$0.49 per bag

#2 Tiny Twist Pretzels

Nutrition Facts	
1 serving per container	
Serving size	1 package
Amount per serving	
Calories	110
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 1g	1%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 230mg	20%
Total Carbohydrate 23g	8%
Dietary Fiber less than 1g	3%
Total Sugars 1g	
Protein 2g	
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Calcium 10mg	0%
Iron 1.2mg	6%
Potassium 80mg	0%
Not a significant source of added sugars.	
* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.	



Ingredients

INGREDIENTS: ENRICHED FLOUR (WHEAT FLOUR, NIACIN, REDUCED IRON, THIAMIN MONONITRATE, RIBOFLAVIN, FOLIC ACID), SALT, CORN OIL, CORN SYRUP, AMMONIUM BICARBONATE, MALT EXTRACT, AND YEAST. CONTAINS WHEAT INGREDIENTS.

- Rold Gold Tiny Twists Pretzel Snacks
- \$0.56 per bag
- Snack Size (1 oz.)
- Easy to carry, easy to store, and easy to pack

#3 Veggie Straws

Nutrition Facts

10 servings per container

Serving size 1 bag (21g)

Amount per serving

Calories 100

% Daily Value*

Total Fat 5 g 7%

Saturated Fat 0.5g 3%

Trans Fat 0g

Polyunsaturated Fat 2g

Monounsaturated Fat 3g

Cholesterol 0mg 0%

Sodium 160mg 7%

Total Carbohydrate 13g 5%

Dietary Fiber 0g 1%

Total Sugars 0g

Includes 0g Added Sugars 0%

Protein <1g

Vitamin D 0mcg 0% • Calcium 60mg 4%

Iron 0.5mg 2% • Potassium 160mg 4%

*The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.



INGREDIENTS: POTATO STARCH, POTATO FLOUR, CANOLA OIL AND/OR SAFFLOWER OIL AND/OR SUNFLOWER OIL, SPINACH POWDER, TOMATO PASTE, SALT, CANE SUGAR, CORN STARCH, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE, TURMERIC (COLOR), BEETROOT POWDER (COLOR), SEA SALT.

- Sensible Portions Garden Veggie Straws, Sea Salt
- A great-tasting, fun-to-eat, crunchy snack
- \$0.64 per bag (.75 oz.)

#4 Takis - Fuego

Nutrition Facts

Serving size 1 package (28g)

Amount per serving

Calories 140

% Daily Value*

Total Fat 8g	10%
Saturated Fat 2g	10%
Trans Fat 0g	
Polyunsaturated Fat 3g	
Monounsaturated Fat 2.5g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 410mg	18%
Total Carbohydrate 16g	6%
Dietary Fiber 1g	4%
Total Sugars 1g	
Includes 0g Added Sugars	0%
Protein 2g	
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Calcium 8mg	0%
Iron 0mg	0%
Potassium 1mg	0%

* The % Daily Value tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.



INGREDIENTS: CORN MASA FLOUR (PROCESSED WITH LIME), VEGETABLE OIL (PALM AND/OR SOYBEAN AND/OR CANOLA OIL AND/OR RICE BRAN OIL), SEASONING [SALT, MALTODEXTRIN, CITRIC ACID, SUGAR, MONOSODIUM GLUTAMATE, HYDROLYZED **SOY PROTEIN**, ONION POWDER, YEAST EXTRACT, ARTIFICIAL COLOR (RED 40 LAKE, YELLOW 6 LAKE), NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL FLAVORS, BAKING SODA, SOYBEAN OIL, CHILI PEPPER (CHILE), DISODIUM INOSINATE, DISODIUM GUANYLATE, TBHQ (ANTIOXIDANT)].

MAY CONTAIN MILK, EGG AND WHEAT.

- Takis Feugo Tortilla Chips
- Intense Chile Pepper with a refreshing kick of lime
- \$0.56 per bag (1 oz.)
- Perfect snack-sized bags that come in a convenient grab & go case

Placing: 3-2-1-4

Cuts: 3,2,1

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
3,2	3 has the highest potassium, lowest calories and sodium, under budget	2 is a cheaper option	2 has half the potassium has 3
Middle Pair			
2,1	2 has more potassium, less calories and sodium	1 is cheaper	1 is less potassium and more calories
Bottom Pair			
1,4	1 is more potassium, cheaper, and less sodium	4 has less calories	4 is the highest sodium, lowest potassium

Jeans

Situation Statement

Olivia is a working mom who is looking for comfortable, durable jeans she can wear all day. She prefers a light wash and a wide-leg fit for a relaxed, stylish look. With a \$100 budget, she's looking for a mid-priced pair that balances comfort, fashion, and durability.

#1 Levi's Ribcage



- Levi's Ribcage Wide-Leg Jeans – Light Wash
- Price: \$89.99
- Fit: High-rise, wide-leg for comfort and a flattering shape
- Fabric: 99% cotton, 1% elastane – breathable with a bit of stretch
- Classic brand known for durability
- Light wash adds a relaxed look; also available in dark wash
- Stylish, durable and long-lasting

#2 Fashion Nova Super Stretch



- Price: \$39.99
- Fit: Skinny fit, slim to the ankle
- Mid-rise for comfort
- Fabric: Cotton blend for super stretch, great for on the go
- Dark Wash

#3 Wrangler Women's Retro Mae



- Wrangler Women's Retro Mae Wide-Leg Jeans
- Light Wash
- Price: \$65
- Fit: Mid-rise, wide-leg with relaxed hip and thigh
- Fabric: 100% cotton – sturdy and classic feel
- Wrangler jeans are Known for long-lasting durability with metal zippers and reinforced seams
- great for active individuals needing long-lasting denim with comfort

#4 Madewell Vintage Slim Jeans



- Madewell Vintage Slim Jeans
- Dark Wash
- Price: \$128
- Fit: Slim-straight cut, mid-rise
- Fabric: High-quality, extra thick denim with minimal stretch that holds its shape all day

Placing: 3-1-2-4

Cuts: 1,2,2

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
3,1	3 is comfortable, durable, light wash, wide leg, relaxed and under budget	1 meets all desired criteria	1 is slightly more expensive than 3
Middle Pair			
1,2	1 meets all desired criteria	2 is the lowest price in the class	2 is dark wash and skinny leg
Bottom Pair			
2,4	2 is priced significantly lower and has super stretch for comfort	4 is durable	4 is well above budget, dark wash, straight cut

Streaming Services Situation Statement

Marquis usually watches free videos on social media but wants a streaming service with more action movies and original series. He's looking for one under \$10/month, with a free trial. It should let him stream on both his phone and laptop, and download shows to watch offline. He's also wanting to avoid extra fees.

#1 Netflix



- Best For: Popular shows, movies, and original series
- Netflix has a huge variety of content, including exclusive originals only available on Netflix
- Plans start at \$6.99/month with ads
- You can stream on multiple devices
- New features allow for download episodes to watch later
- Easy, quick online sign up! Free trial for new users.
- Need to take a break? Cancel anytime.
- Certain movies, shows, or no ads may require upgraded plans

#2 Disney +



- Disney+ features Disney classics, Pixar films, Marvel, Star Wars, and more
- Best For: Family-friendly content and blockbuster franchises
- Stream on multiple devices
- It includes kid profiles and parental controls.
- Subscriptions start at \$9.99/month, with high-quality video and ads
- All inclusive access, so one subscription gives you access to all Disney+ content
- Upgrade to Premium to avoid ads and have access to download content for offline viewing (\$15.99)

#3 Amazon Prime Video



- Amazon Prime Video includes a mix of movies, original shows, and rentals, plus exclusive access for Amazon Prime members
- Best For: Movie lovers and Amazon shoppers
- Prime Video membership is \$12.99/month or \$139/year, but it includes other benefits like free shipping when shopping
- 1st month free for new users
- Download options and flexible viewing are included
- Watch on the go or with multiple devices
- All inclusive access, so subscribers have access to all Prime content

#4 Curiosity Stream



- Curiosity Stream focuses on science, history, nature, and tech documentaries
- Best For: Documentaries and educational content
It's perfect for curious minds and learners
- Plans start at just \$4.99/month
- offers HD streaming on most devices
- Upgraded plan (\$12.99) includes the ability to stream on multiple devices, offline access and download options
- Flexible plans with no contract, switch or cancel anytime

Placing: 1-3-2-4

Cuts: 3,2,1

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
1,3	1 has access to action movies, original series, free trial, access to multiple devices, ability to download and watch offline while remaining under budget with ads.	3 does not have extra fees for access to additional content (1 does)	3 has a higher monthly fee which is over budget
Middle Pair			
3,2	Although over budget, 3 has access to all the requested features	2 is priced within budget	2 does not offer a free trial or the ability to download and watch offline without the premium subscription
Bottom Pair			
2,4	2 offers the content desired, within the budget, with multiple devices and no extra fees	4 has the lowest monthly cost of the class at \$4.99	4 does not have access to the desired content or streaming features

Water bottle Situation Statement

Samantha usually drinks from disposable plastic bottles but wants a reusable water bottle that's durable and keeps drinks cold for hours while she is at work. She's looking for one under \$40. It should fit in her car's cup holder. She also prefers to have a variety of color choices.

#1 Hydro Flask



- Wide-Mouth Vacuum Water Bottle with Flex Straw Cap - 32 fl. oz.
- \$44.95
- TempShield® double-wall vacuum insulation keeps beverages cold up to 24 hrs.
- Durable 18/8 pro-grade stainless-steel construction ensures pure taste and no flavor transfer
- Not designed for use on a stove, in a microwave or in a freezer
- Fits large size, specialty cup holders in luxury vehicles
- Color Last™ powder coat is dishwasher safe to maintain a nonslip grip and lasting color
- Variety of color options as shown below



#2 Owala



- Owala 32 oz. FreeSip Stainless Steel Water Bottle
- \$34.99
- Double-wall vacuum insulation keeps your beverages cold for up to 24 hours
- FreeSip® lid includes a built-in straw for easy drinking
- Base fits most cup holders
- The lid flips open with a button and locks shut for easy transportation
- Leak-proof design helps avoid any unwanted messes and spills
- Stainless steel construction offers long-lasting durability
- Over 30 Variety of color combinations
- Lid is dishwasher safe, handwash bottle

#3 Hyeta



- Hyeta 32oz Plastic Water Bottles with Straw
- \$9.99
- 100% leak proof
- 3 color options
- Stay Motivated and Hydrated with Convenient Times to Drink Markings
- Lightweight and Portable: Perfect for taking with you on the go, whether you're heading to the gym or out for a hike
- Secure lid
- Reuseable
- Fits most cupholders and backpack pockets

#4 Stanley



- Stanley 30 oz. IceFlow Flip Straw Tumbler
- \$39.99
- These bold, colorful tumblers with over 40 color combinations are made to keep you hydrated in a fully functional style
- Built-in flip straw for easy and effortless sipping
- Double-wall vacuum insulation
- Car cup holder compatible
- Easy-to-carry handle for easy transporting
- 18/8 stainless-steel construction for a durable build
- Dishwasher Safe

Placing: 2-4-1-3

Cuts: 2,3,1

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
2,4	2 has all of the items Samantha is looking for with a price of 34.99, lots of colors, fits in a cup holder, and is durable	4 is dishwasher safe but not that was not something she was specifically looking for	4 is a little higher price than 2
Middle Pair			
4,1	4 has all of the components Samantha wants and still under her price	1 is slightly larger in size	1 is slightly over budget and may not fit in all cupholders
Bottom Pair			
1,3	1 will keep her drink cold for hours, has a variety of color options, and is durable	3 is the lowest cost and will fit in a cup holder	3 is not durable or insulated

Water Bottles

Gaming Consoles

Situation Statement

Alicia is searching for a new gaming console that her two children, ages 13, and 16, can share and that the whole family can enjoy together during game nights. As a family of four, they want a system that supports multiple players, ideally with four controllers so everyone can play at once. Alicia is also looking for a console that offers parental control features to help manage her kids screen time and content access. Additionally, her son wants a system with ample storage capacity to support solo play and future game downloads. The family's budget for a new console is \$300.

#1 Nintendo Switch



- The innovative Nintendo Switch transforms your gaming experience with a versatile design that lets you play at home or on the go, featuring a vivid 6.2-inch touchscreen, detachable Joy-Con controllers, and seamless transitions between handheld, tabletop, and TV modes, so you can enjoy your favorite games anytime, anywhere.
- 2 controllers included but supports connectivity for up to 8 controllers.
- 64 GB of storage
- This gaming system includes built-in parental controls that allow guardians to manage screen time, set content restrictions, and create a safe environment for children.
- \$289.99

#2 Wii



- The groundbreaking Nintendo Wii changes the way you play with motion-sensing controls that get you off the couch and into the game, delivering fun and interactive experiences for players of all ages, along with a vast library of titles, intuitive gameplay, and family-friendly entertainment.
- 2 controllers included but supports connectivity for up to 4 controllers.
- 5 GB of storage
- This gaming system includes built-in parental controls that allow guardians to manage screen time, set content restrictions, and create a safe environment for children.
- \$148.98

#3 PlayStation 4



- The powerful PlayStation 4 redefines console gaming with stunning HD graphics, lightning-fast processing, and an expansive library of immersive games, plus built-in streaming, Blu-ray playback, and online multiplayer that keeps you connected to the action anytime.
- 2 controllers included but supports connectivity for up to 4 controllers.
- 500 GB of storage
- This gaming system includes built-in parental controls that allow guardians to manage screen time, set content restrictions, and create a safe environment for children.
- \$289.99

#4 Xbox 360 (S)



- The newly redesigned Xbox 360 (S) upgrades your entire Xbox 360 gaming experience, with a leaner profile, more ports, 250 GB of storage space and built-in Wi-Fi that makes it easier for you to enjoy Xbox LIVE games, HD movies, streaming TV and more.
- 1 controller included but supports connectivity for up to 4 controllers.
- This gaming system includes built-in parental controls that allow guardians to manage screen time, set content restrictions, and create a safe environment for children.
- \$149.99

Placing: 3-4-1-2

Cuts: 2,1,1

Top Pair	Reason for Placing	Grant	Fault
3,4	Offers the largest storage capacity and still met all other requirements	4 was cheaper	4 only has 1 controller and storage capacity was smaller than 3
Middle Pair			
4,1	4 has all the components Alicia wants and still under her price	1 allows for more connectivity of controllers	1 had much less storage capacity
Bottom Pair			
1,2	1 has all the requirements needed	2 is cheaper	2 has the smallest storage capacity