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Adventures in Food and Nutrition! © 2016 Chapter 17: Salad Success-Math Activity

## Build a Salad Bar

Salad bars feature a wide variety of foods. Most salad bar foods are fruits and vegetables. Salad dressings are also included. Salad bars may offer garnishes, too. The most appealing salad bars offer a variety of colorful, nutritious, and delicious ingredients.
Practice building a salad bar on a budget. You can spend $\$ 20$ to create a salad bar plan for you and four friends. Your salad bar should include at least six vegetables, two fruits, two salad dressings, and one garnish. You can use fresh, canned, dried, or frozen fruits and vegetables. At least four vegetables should be different colors. Plan enough food so each person can have at least $21 / 2$ cups of all the fruits and vegetables combined. Use the Internet to search for an online grocery store to complete this activity. To save money, be sure to check this week's specials.

| Vegetable and Color | Size | Price |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ex.: Baby carrots <br> (orange) | 16 oz bag | $\$ 1.79$ |
| 1 |  |  |
| 2 |  |  |
| 3 |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |
| 5 |  |  |
| 6 |  |  |
| Fruits |  |  |
| 1 |  |  |
| 2 |  |  |
| Garnish |  |  |
| 1 |  |  |
| Salad Dressings |  |  |
| 1 |  |  |
| 2 | Total |  |

$\qquad$ Date $\qquad$

## Activity Questions

1. What is the total amount you spent?
2. Which food item was the most costly?
3. Which food item was the least costly?
4. What changes would you make if you only had $\$ 15$ to spend?
5. What foods would you add if you had $\$ 25$ to spend?
