



FAMILY VACATION BUDGET

Destination Florida 6 nights 7 days

Number of Family Members 5

Transportation

Plane.....	(\$250 per person)	=	<u>1,250</u>
Rent a car.....	(\$200 per week)	=	<u> </u>
Train.....	(\$150 per person)	=	<u> </u>
Your car.....	Gas/wear and tear	=	<u> </u>
Bus.....		=	<u> </u>
Taxi.....		=	<u> </u>

Lodging

Hotel.....	(\$125 per night)	=	<u> </u>
Condo.....	(\$1000 per week)	=	<u>1,000</u>
Other.....		=	<u> </u>

Entertainment

Amusement Park.....	(\$50 per person) per day	=	<u>250</u>
Museum, Aquarium.....	(\$20 per person) per day	=	<u>100</u>
Show.....	(\$40 per person) per day	=	<u> </u>
Sporting Event.....	(\$50 per person) per day	=	<u> </u>
Zoo.....	(\$20 per person) per day	=	<u> </u>
Other <u>boat ride</u>		=	<u>125</u>

Food

.....	(\$30 per person) per day	=	<u>1050</u>
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Souvenirs

.....		=	<u>300</u>
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TOTAL COST

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These prices are suggested costs. You may need to alter them based on destination, type of lodging/restaurant and duration of trip.

Good Luck!



For up to 8 Family Members
Ages 5 and up **game™**

Welcome to The Family Vacation Game™! The game, developed by The Family Connection, engages the whole family in planning and playing to earn enough money for their "dream" vacation. Where most board games encourage and rely on a highly developed sense of competition, The Family Vacation Game promotes a cooperative family interaction that results in the whole family unit being the winner.

As a family, you decide where you would like to go on your "dream" vacation. Then you create a budget for the total cost of the trip. Once the cost is determined, every member will receive a vacation fund which they can increase or decrease depending on the space they land on. In addition, there are "choice cards" which will increase the family fund if the choices made are good for the family. However, you can lose money by choosing not to do things together as a family, not being nice to each other or just not spending your money wisely. Every family member must experience the journey all the way through to the end. When everyone is done, all the vacation funds are totaled together and compared to the budgeted cost of the trip. If there is enough money, congratulations you may go. If not, revise your budget or play again. So cheer each other on and good luck!



The Family Connection
creating family time

Object: All family members must reach the USA Map. The total of all players' winnings must be enough money to go on the family's chosen vacation.

Contents: Family Vacation Board, Die, Family Pawns, Money (\$1,\$5,\$10,\$20,\$50,\$100) Family Choice Cards, Family Vacation Budget Sheets

Preparation:

Budget Trip: You must decide as a family where you would like to go on vacation. If you have trouble choosing, try researching family vacations together on the internet or at the library.

Budget sheets are included to help determine the total cost of your trip (a sample budget sheet can be found on the last page of the instructions). There are suggested costs, but you may need to adjust the prices based on your destination; type of lodging/restaurant, activities and duration of the trip. Once you compute your cost, this will be the amount you want left in your entire family vacation fund at the end of the game.

Vacation Fund: Every member of the family will start with \$300 of vacation funds consisting of: (1)\$100 dollar bill, (2)\$50 dollar bills, (3)\$20 dollar bills, (3)\$10 dollar bills, (2)\$5 dollar bills.

Banker: After you have arranged the vacation funds, the remaining money should be set up for the bank. Choose someone in the family to act as the Banker and to be responsible for the distribution of funds. A Banker's panel, located at the southern edge of board, may be used to assist in laying out the banks money.

Choice Cards: These cards are choices made by a family member. If the choice is favorable, they are rewarded, if it is unfavorable, they need to give money back to the bank. Place these cards on the board where indicated (southeast corner). There are 10 blank choice cards included. Your family may create their own "choice cards" based on your family's situation.

Game play:

The youngest member of your family starts. Each player rolls the die and moves the number of spaces shown on the die. The player follows the message on the space by adding or subtracting from their vacation fund.

Pay day: A player should be paid \$100 for a pay day.

Choice Card: You need to follow the instructions on the card by taking money from the bank or giving money back to the bank. If you run out of cards, just shuffle and use them again.

College, Retirement, Savings Fund: If you land on one of these spaces, you will need to take \$50 from your vacation fund and give it to the bank. The Banker needs to keep track of this amount because it will earn interest at the end of the game. The Banker's panel may be used to segregate these funds (located at the southern end).

Everyone Gets Paid: If you land on this space, great! Everyone collects a paycheck (\$100) for their vacation fund. A player is still entitled to collect their pay even if they have already reached the USA map.

Run out of Money: If you run out of money, you can borrow from the bank. Write an IOU note and pay it back when you have sufficient funds. However, you must pay the amount borrowed plus 10% interest. If you borrow \$100 you must pay back \$110 (ie. $\$100 \times 1.10 = \110).

How To Go On Your Vacation: Everyone must play through until each member has reached the USA map. Once the last family member arrives, the entire family must add all their money together. Since your family set money aside for college, retirement and savings, you earned 10% interest. Compute the amount and take it out of the bank. If you saved \$1000, you would earn \$100 in interest (ie. $\$1000 \times .10 = \100). Add all your funds and compare the total to your budget sheet. Determine if there are enough funds to go on your dream vacation.

CAN YOU GO?

YES: Start Packing, Bon Voyage!

NO: Play again or revise your trip. For example, drive instead of fly, do not buy souvenirs, limit your entertainment choices and spend more time at parks or beaches with picnic lunches.