

A TRIP TO SOUTH AFRICA

Your parents have exciting news! As Argentina has won their first game, they have decided to take the family out to South Africa. They feel very confident that Argentina will be in the final of the World Cup 2010 football competition. You are going to complete a spreadsheet in order to help budget for the trip.

Things you need to prepare for in the budget and add to your spreadsheet:

- 1. You will need to find the best price for return flights to Johannesburg from the capital city of Argentina. Even though the next couple of matches are on the 17th and 22nd June, you can plan air travel costs against flying at any time in the next few months. However, remember that you are flying from the Americas and NOT the United Kingdom and that you need to multiply the fare price by the total number in your family.
- 2. Your parents luckily have a friend's flat to stay in, so you don't have to worry about finding accommodation. However, you do have to go out with your older sibling and buy basic groceries for your first week. There is a Woolworths store close by. (Woolworths is very similar to Marks & Spencer in the UK. And all prices are in SA Rand.) Make a list of the groceries below in your spreadsheet, then <u>Visit the online store and get prices</u> for the items.



Suggested Weekly Food List.

Fruit: bananas, apples, oranges

Vegetables: potatoes, carrots, peas, broccoli, frozen vegetables

Salad: tomatoes, lettuce, cucumber, onions

Meat: deli meat, chicken, pork or lamb chops, mince Cheese: cheddar, cottage cheese, string cheese

Milk, Eggs and Yoghurt Cereal: oatmeal, cornflakes

Bread: rye bread, whole wheat or white

Fish: tuna, salmon

Soup

Pasta and Rice Tea and Coffee

Frozen food: pizzas, ice cream etc. Cold drinks: orange juice, cordial, coke

Spreads: peanut butter, jam Sweets and Chocolate 3. Transport has been organised by your South African friends but you might want to go out at night to MacDonald's or Pizza Hut for a meal. Cost out how much an evening at MacDonald's will be by selecting the picture below – prices are in South African Rand. (Picture by DavieVDM, Flickr)



Debonairs is a pizza restaurant very similar to Pizza Hut. Click on the image below to see how much a pizza evening out will cost your family. (Again prices are in Rand.)



4. Your friends have recommended that you visit a nearby game reserve. Londolozi is your mom's choice. Click on the image below and cost out a stay which your mother will never forget. (All prices are in South African Rand - spare no expense for her!)



5. You will possibly have collected your prices for flights in United States dollars and other prices from South Africa in Rand. Now that you have all your prices on your spreadsheet, you need to convert them to Argentine pesos.

Visit the page on Currency on the Argentina Football Blog.

- Convert all the prices on your spreadsheet to Argentine pesos.
- Total up the costs for the trip.
- Add a contingency to your budget. About 10% should be sufficient.
- Work out which notes and coins you'll use to pay for your grocery shopping.

Sign up to the Voicethread which is linked to the image on the right of the page and, using the headphones with a microphone, share your costs regarding these last few bullet points with others.

