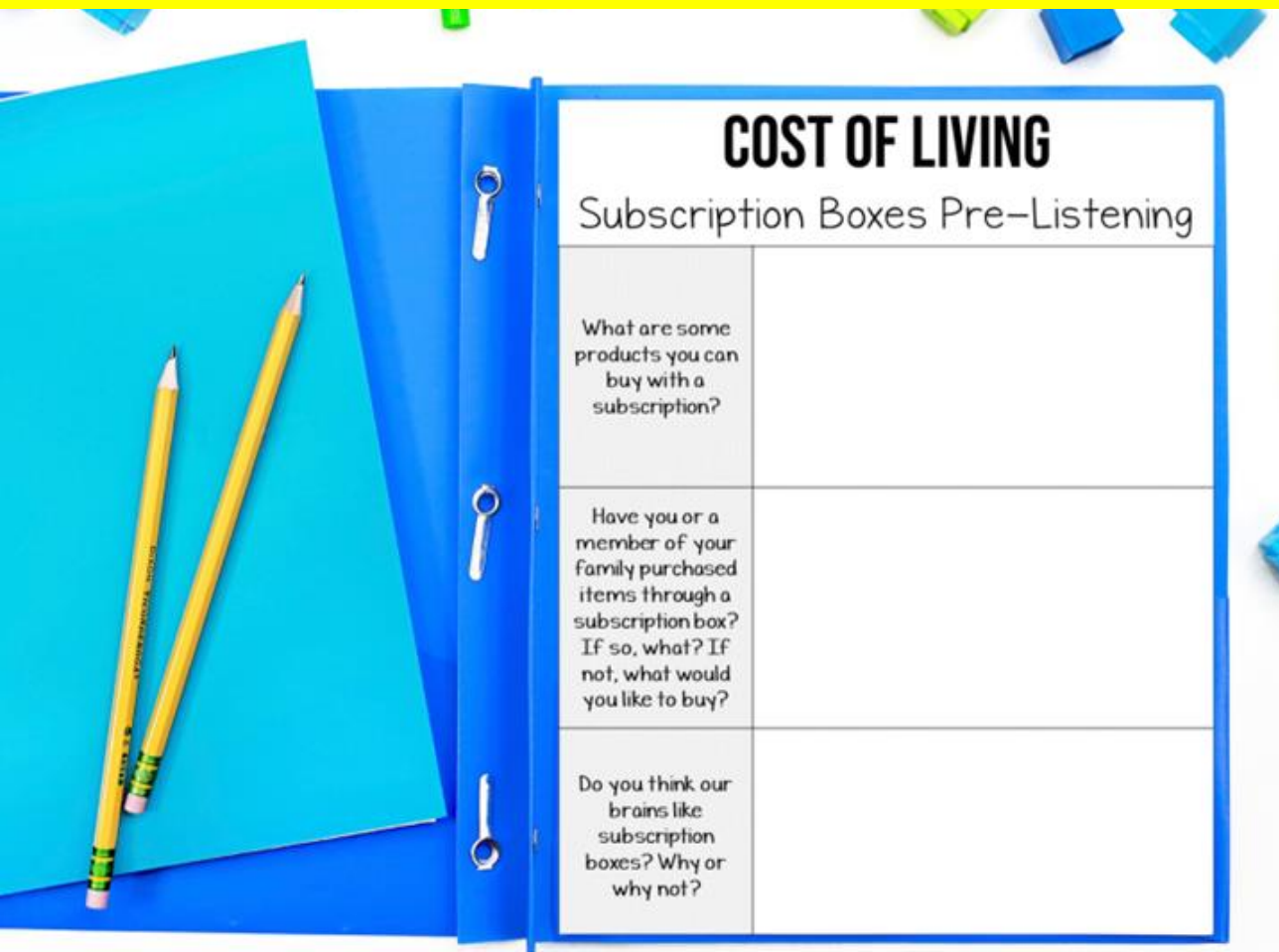


Podcast Lesson

Subscription Boxes

PDF & DIGITAL FORMATS



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Middle School Teaching Resources



RESOURCE INCLUDES

- ✓ Detailed Lesson Plan
- ✓ 1 Podcast Listening Activity
- ✓ Graphic Organizers
- ✓ Pre & Post Listening Activities
- ✓ Journal Entries
- ✓ Extend Your Thinking Choice Board
- ✓ Answer Keys
- ✓ Print & Digital Formats



LESSON OVERVIEW

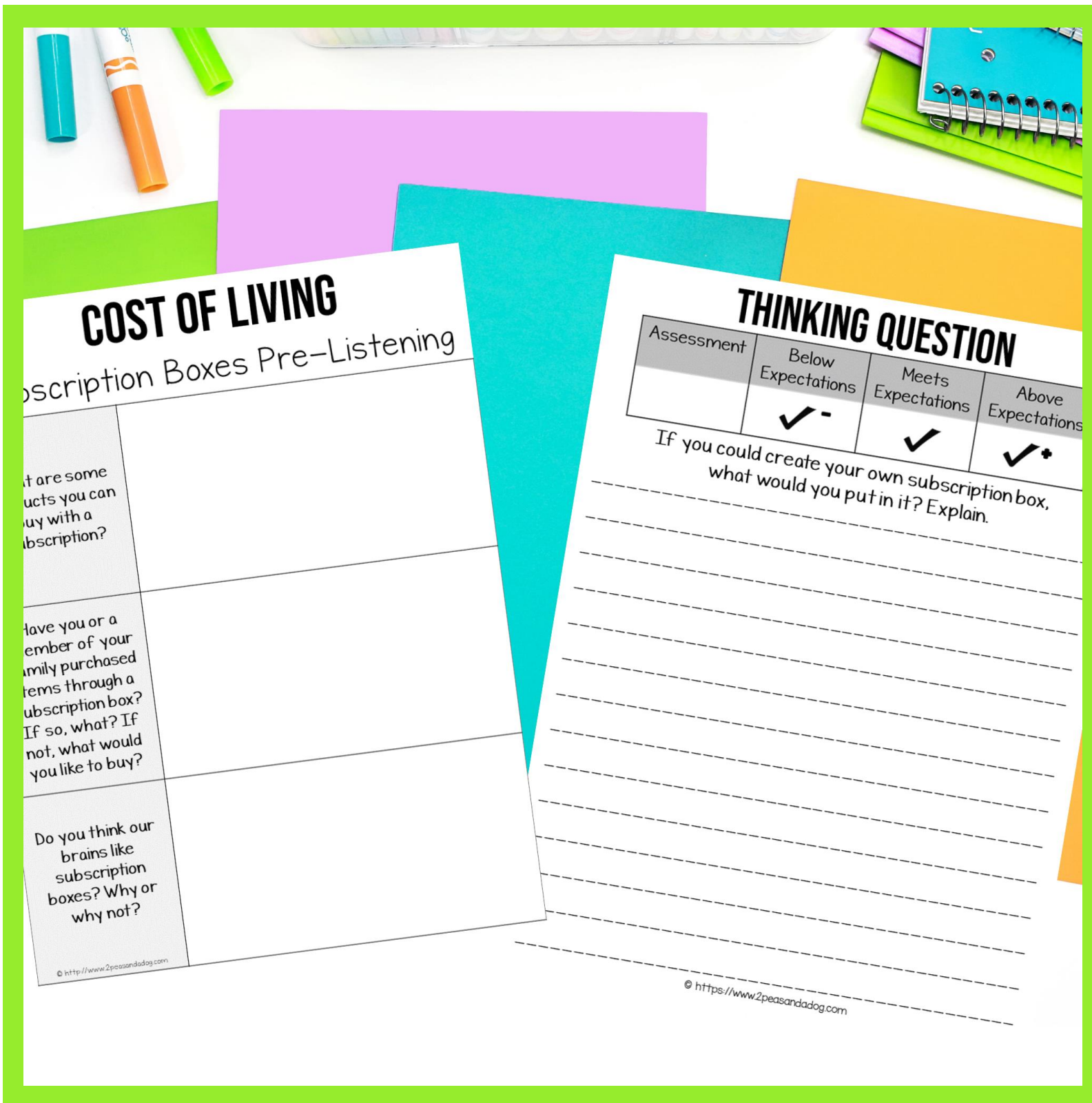
In This Lesson Students Will:

1. Complete a pre-listening graphic organizer.
2. Listen to a short podcast segment.
3. Complete a post-listening graphic organizer.
4. Work on a journal entry response.
5. Challenge themselves on an Extend Your Learning choice board.

**INDEPENDENT
WORK**

**WHOLE
CLASS
LESSON**

**ENGAGING
LESSON**



PRE & POST LISTENING QUESTIONS & JOURNAL ENTRIES

DETAILED TEACHER PAGES

LESSON PLAN



Cost of Living – Subscription Boxes

Lesson Overview: Students will learn about a variety of economic topics after listening to a brief podcast segment.

Materials Needed:

- ❑ Access to reliable technology computer, data projector, Wi-Fi
- ❑ Cost of Living graphic organizers (class set)
- ❑ Cost of Living Podcast Episode: ["Funfetti Dunkaroos or Space Jam Cereal to Your Door? Subscription Boxes Mail Happiness to Your Brain"](#) – October 3, 2021. Segment "Monthly Subscription Boxes"
- ❑ Select a video to watch: [The Subscription Box for Sneakerheads – SneakerTub](#) [Review language in this video before showing it to your class(es)]
1. [Are Meal Subscriptions Worth It?](#)
2. [The Best and Worst Subscription Boxes for Your Money](#) (Stop at 6:42)

FULL LESSON PLAN

Teacher Instructions:

1. Start the lesson by using the pre-listening questions to spark conversation about subscriptions.
2. Next, ask students to fill out the Pre-Listening Cost of Living graphic organizer. Have a brief class discussion and write down some of the answers students share.
3. Then, have students watch one of the suggested videos. After watching, have a brief discussion on what they learned.
 - [The Subscription Box for Sneakerheads – SneakerTub](#) [Review language in this video before showing it to your class(es)]
 - [Are Meal Subscriptions Worth It?](#)
 - [The Best and Worst Subscription Boxes for Your Money](#) (Stop at 6:42)
4. Have the class listen to the brief segment "Monthly subscription boxes appeal to niche interests." from the Cost of Living Podcast Episode: ["Funfetti Dunkaroos or Space Jam Cereal to Your Door? Subscription Boxes Mail Happiness to Your Brain"](#).
5. After listening to the podcast, have the students complete the remaining sections of the Post-Listening graphic organizer.
6. If time permits, have students complete the journal entry. Assess the journal entry using [this method](#).

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SAMPLE ANSWERS

Option 2: Make a list of as many existing subscription services as possible (e.g. Apple Music, Netflix, Hello Fresh, magazines, etc.). Design a survey and survey your class, teacher, family members, etc., to see which subscription is the most popular.

Here is a list of popular subscription services:

- Netflix (Streaming)
- Disney+ (Streaming)
- Amazon Prime (Streaming)
- Xbox Game Pass (Gaming)
- Audible (Audiobooks)
- Epic! (Digital Comics)
- KiwiCo (Subscription Boxes)
- Loot Crate (Subscription Boxes)
- National Geographic (Magazines)
- Highlights (Magazines)
- Doodle Crate (DIY Crafts)

DETAILED ANSWER KEYS

Note: These are just sample ideas; your students might come up with different information.

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DIFFERENTIATED LESSON PLANS

- Podcast Link
- Step-By-Step Instructions
- Student Pages
- Answer Keys

SAMPLE LESSON PAGES

COST OF LIVING

Subscription Boxes Pre-Listening

What are some products you can buy with a subscription?

Have you or a member of your family purchased items through a subscription box? If so, what? If not, why not?

Do you think our brains like subscription boxes? Why or why not?

THINKING QUESTION

Assessment	Below Expectations	Meets Expectations	Above Expectations
	✓-	✓	✓+

If you could create your own subscription box, what would you put in it? Explain.

EXTEND YOUR LEARNING



STUDENT PAGES

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SAMPLE ANSWERS

What are some products you can buy with a subscription?

Answers will vary by student.
Examples: groceries, candy, snacks, toys, beauty items, video games, magazines, newspapers, YouTube/T

Have you or a member of your family purchased items through a subscription box? If so, what? If not, what would you like to buy?

Answers will vary by student.
Examples:

Do you think our brains like subscription boxes? Why or why not?

Answers will vary by student.
Examples:

How many subscription services are available to Canadians?

Writing Assessment

- ☐ Writing flows and is coherent
- ☐ Form is appropriate for the chosen assignment
- ☐ Grammar conventions are used properly as per grade level expectations

Feedback:

WRITING RESPONSE RUBRIC

Student Name: _____

Criteria	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Writing flows and is coherent.	Writing is incoherent and does not make sense.	Writing is somewhat coherent.	Writing is coherent.	Writing is very coherent and uses a variety of techniques to increase engagement.
Form is appropriate for the chosen assignment.	Form is inappropriate for the chosen assignment.	Form is appropriate for the chosen assignment.	Form is appropriate for the chosen assignment.	Form is appropriate for the chosen assignment.
Conventions are used properly as per grade level expectations.	Conventions are not used properly as per grade level expectations.	Conventions are used properly as per grade level expectations.	Conventions are used properly as per grade level expectations.	Conventions are used properly as per grade level expectations.

ANSWER KEYS & ASSESSMENT OPTIONS

Writing Assessment Criteria

Mark

- ☐ Writing flows and is coherent
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- ☐ Grammar conventions

Feedback:

Total Points /30

Final Mark %

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LESSON FORMATS



PDF

✓ Individual & Whole Unit



DIGITAL

✓ Google Slides



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