

# Dog Dollars and Sense



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dogs make great pets, but there is a cost, in both dollars and time. Use the amounts given by your teacher or found online to estimate the costs below. Note that not all items may be needed. Can you think of other costs that aren't listed?

**PART 1: INITIAL COSTS**

**Cost of the dog—choose one:**

Shelter adoption fee, or \$ \_\_\_\_\_

pet store or breeder price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical and training costs**

initial veterinary exam and vaccinations \$ \_\_\_\_\_

tattoo or microchip \$ \_\_\_\_\_

spaying (female dog) or neutering (male dog) fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

obedience training \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Supplies**

food and water dishes \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Leash, collar, harness \$ \_\_\_\_\_

brush and comb \$ \_\_\_\_\_

kennel \$ \_\_\_\_\_

dog bed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

toys \$ \_\_\_\_\_

insulated dog house \$ \_\_\_\_\_

other: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total One-time Costs:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 2: ANNUAL COSTS**

**Food**

food \$ \_\_\_\_\_

treats \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical costs**

annual veterinary exam and vaccinations \$ \_\_\_\_\_

pet health insurance, or savings for accidents or major illness \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Other costs**

grooming \$ \_\_\_\_\_

annual licence fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

boarding or pet sitting while on vacation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

replacement toys \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Total Annual Costs:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_



When you're finished, list some things you need to do for your dog that cost time (not money).

