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ACTIVITY

Jordan's Cash Flow

What + Why: See whether Jordan's income really covers her expenses and what that means for her future choices.

Before deciding whether Jordan can afford a car, it's important to look at what is already happening with her money each month. Examining Jordan's cash flow (the movement of money in and out over time) helps reveal whether there is real flexibility before adding new expenses.

Supporting Materials:

Jordan's Financial Snapshot - Parts 1, 2, and 3 (Case Study)

Instructions:

1. Compare Jordan's total expenses to her monthly income to find if there is money left over.
2. Reference the **Jordan's Financial Snapshot** case study chart for needed evidence.
3. Answer the follow-up questions about Jordan's cash flow and flexibility.

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Category	Estimated Monthly Amount
Current Monthly Income	
Current Monthly Expenses	
MONEY LEFT OVER (no car)	
Potential Car-Related Expenses	
MONEY LEFT OVER (after car, no loan)	

Calculate Jordan's income minus her expenses to determine if she has money left over before adding a car, and after she adds in car-related expenses. Use the amounts you calculated above as evidence when answering the questions below.

1. What does the current cash flow reveal about Jordan's financial stability and what does that mean for her ability to take on new expenses?
2. After adding the car-related expenses (without a loan), what changes in Jordan's cash flow, and what does that suggest about affordability?
3. Based on what the cash flow reveals, what would need to be true for any car option to be financially realistic for Jordan?