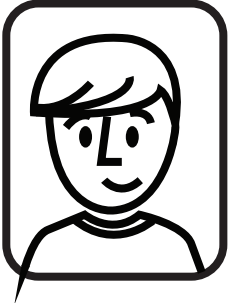


LESSON 2: ACTIVITY 1

Ryan's Week



Meet Ryan.

Ryan is in college full-time, and also works part-time at the local newsagent. He takes home about €170 per week. He has recently moved out of home and is renting a room in a shared house for €80 a week (including bills).

Some weeks the money runs out and he does not have enough money left over to go out. He usually just borrows from his friends, or sometimes his parents, if they are in good form! He pays them back whenever he can, but things are tight so it is hard.

During the week Ryan gets the bus to and from college, his bus fare is €1.80 each way, it's not too far, only a few stops. He has his lunch in the Campus Café, a Panini and a coffee costs €6. Ryan usually plays 5-a-side once a week with friends, this costs him €4. On Mondays and Wednesdays, Ryan goes to the corner shop and buys some things for dinners and breakfasts. He spends about €15 each time. He buys enough on those days to last him a couple of days.

Ryan gets a lift to his parents for the weekend. He has dinner with them Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening.

On Wednesday this week, Ryan bought €20 phone credit (he buys this once a month) to ring his mother to ask if he could borrow the car at the weekend. Because money is tight, Ryan doesn't go out a lot but this Saturday night he is going to see a film in the local cinema, it only costs €6 for students so he thinks it is money well spent.