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GOAL SETTING ACTIVITY SHEET



Start With a Goal

Time horizons

Financial goals have different time horizons. Here are a few examples:

- Something you need immediately or within a few years (under four years) has a **short-term time horizon**.



- Something you save for over several years (between five and ten years) has a **medium-term horizon**.



- Something you save for that will happen many years or decades in the future (over 10 years), like **retirement**, has a **long-term horizon**.



Because Nikki is a few months away from graduating from university, she sat down and listed her goals. Determine whether each goal has a short-, medium- or long-term time horizon and estimate how many years you think each goal will take.

1. Replacing her university car with a newer model.



Time horizon _____

Explain your thinking:

2. Buying work clothes for her new job.



Time horizon _____

Explain your thinking:

3. Deciding on whether to make a donation to a charity.



Time horizon _____

Explain your thinking:

4. Retiring using her **superannuation** programme.



Time horizon _____

Explain your thinking:
