

## The True Cost of Renting a Place

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**Directions**: Answer the following questions based on the information presented in the video <u>Better Money Habits: The True Cost of Renting a Place</u>.

- 1. What are three factors to consider when looking for a place to live?
- 2. What is the 30 percent rule? Define gross income in your answer.
- 3. Using the 30 percent rule, how much should a teacher earning \$40,000 per year plan on spending for general housing expenses? How much is this per month if renting and incurring all costs associated with renting?
- 4. What expenses should you expect to pay when renting a place to live?
- 5. What options could you consider to reduce your monthly expenses when renting?
- 6. If you were struggling to find a place you like within your budget, what other nonhousing expenses would you be willing to give up that would allow you to go above the 30 percent rule?

