

Needs and Wants

Grade K • SOCIAL-STUDIES • Students sort familiar items into basic needs and wants. • Standards: D2.Eco.1.K-2

*Look at each item. Write **NEED** if it is something you must have to live and be healthy. Write **WANT** if it is something nice to have but you do not need it to live.*

1. Water to drink
2. A coat to keep you warm
3. A toy robot
4. Food to eat for dinner
5. A house to live in
6. Candy from the store
7. Shoes you need to protect your feet
8. A stuffed animal to hug
9. A bed to sleep in
10. A bicycle to ride around

Answer Key — Needs and Wants

For the teacher / parent. Do not distribute with the worksheet.

1. NEED (*Water is necessary for survival.*)
2. NEED (*Clothing for warmth is a basic need.*)
3. WANT (*Toys are fun but not necessary to live.*)
4. NEED (*Food is necessary for survival.*)
5. NEED (*Shelter is a basic need.*)
6. WANT (*Candy is a treat, not necessary for survival.*)
7. NEED (*Shoes protect your feet, so they are something you need.*)
8. WANT (*Stuffed animals are nice but not necessary to live.*)
9. NEED (*A place to sleep is part of basic shelter.*)
10. WANT (*A bicycle is fun but not necessary for survival.*)