



\$15 CHALLENGE



ALABAMA 4-H
Alabama Cooperative
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Do you enjoy shopping? Do you look for great buys? Like to check out garage sales, thrift stores, or consignment shops? Have you ever brought your own special touch to an outfit that makes it unique and individually you?

What You Will Do

- Shop in new places.
- Save money.
- Put together a great outfit.

What You Will Learn

- To choose clothing that makes you look good.
- To use good shopping skills.
- To communicate clearly.

Rules for the \$15 Challenge

1. Don't spend more than \$15 on an outfit that covers the entire body. That means a top and bottom or one piece (such as a dress).
2. Receipts are required; they can be handwritten from garage sales.
3. Accessories and shoes are not part of the \$15.
4. Outfits must come from garage sales, consignment stores, or thrift stores.
5. Senior Level 4-H members must complete a community service report. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.
6. 4-H'ers must complete a \$15 Challenge Report.

Refer to Alabama 4-H Competitive Events on the Alabama Extension website (aces.edu) to review the [Competitive Events General Policy](#) and the [Age & Eligibility Chart](#).

LEVELS OF COMPETITION

Junior Level I:

9 to 11 years old on December 31 of the current calendar year (compete only at local and regional levels).

Intermediate:

12 to 13 years old on December 31 of the current calendar year (compete only at local and regional levels).

Senior Level I:

14 to 15 years old on December 31 of the current calendar year.

Senior Level II:

16 to 18 years old on December 31 of the current calendar year.

Identification of Entry

Name, county, and level of participation should be displayed with each entry. An introduction at the beginning of your time would be appropriate.

Community Service

Telling a great story, showcasing projects at a community library, speaking at a local nursing home, or organizing a community cooking or building blocks workshop are great opportunities to serve others. Serving others helps you build academic skills, learn civic responsibility, and develop leadership. It may also give you a good opportunity to meet new people, publicize 4-H, and practice your communication skills. Alabama 4-H is now requiring all Senior Level 4-H members to add a community service component to all 4-H Competitive Events. Each Senior Level 4-H member will have to complete the 4-H Community Service Report as a part of his or her project. 4-H members will be disqualified if the community service report is not included.

You must decide what service you can provide and not have a parent or 4-H leader make this decision for you. Groups of young people are encouraged to work together to discover how they can serve their community.



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Complete this form to help the emcee during the modeling of your garment for the judges.

This is _____ of the _____ 4-H Club in _____ County.

Short description of the garment:

Why you decided on this garment:

Cost of the garment:



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Alabama 4-H \$15 Challenge Report

Bring 3 copies to the event for the judges.

- Download and open this document in your word processing program and type into the outlined information boxes. DO NOT USE THE TAB KEY. Using your MOUSE, position the cursor within the boxes to start typing.
- IF the form does not seem to open correctly in your word processing program, you will want to download the Acrobat .pdf version, print out the form, and type or carefully print in your information. Or go to your local county Extension office for needed documents.
- **USE ONLY THE SPACE GIVEN.** DO NOT ADD LINES OR PAGES TO THIS FORM. Text must be readable, no smaller than 10 font size. The boxes will NOT expand.

The judges will use 1) your responses as written here and 2) the interview (only 3-5 minutes) for your evaluation. Wear your outfit for the interview.

Club/County:

Name:

Birth date:

Junior,
Immediate,
Sr. I, Sr. II

Attach to the TOP RIGHT of this page ONE color photo of yourself, full length, IN YOUR OUTFIT, with accessories you will be using.

(Maximum photo size= 4"x6")

\$15 CHALLENGE REPORT

CHOOSING CLOTHING TO ENHANCE APPEARANCE AND INCREASE SELF CONFIDENCE (15 points)

How does this garment/outfit express your personality? How does this garment reflect current fashion trends?

CHOOSING WITH A PURPOSE (15 points)

What occasions, purposes, or activities did you have in mind when you selected this garment/outfit?

CONSUMER SKILLS ACQUIRED (15 points)

Identify one construction detail of this garment to show quality workmanship.

Well constructed details.

Why?

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KEEPING TRACK OF YOUR COSTS (10 points)

The purpose of this section is to show that total cost of an outfit is often more than just the garments! How much did this garment/outfit cost? Figure below. If you are using accessories you had on hand already, indicate “**had**” in the price column.

PURCHASED

Garment Costs

Jacket	
Pants	
Skirt	
Dress	
Shorts	
Sweater	
Shirt/top	
Blouse/top	
Other	
Total	

ACCESSORIES'

Costs

Shoes	
Hat/cap	
Socks	
Tie/Scarf	
Bag	
Jewelry	
Gloves	
Other	
Other	
Total	

ADD **garment** and **accessory** costs to get:

TOTAL OUTFIT COST:

ATTACH YOUR SALES SLIP(S) OR RECEIPT(S) HERE.

You may use an additional page if needed for the receipts.





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Alabama 4-H \$15 Challenge Judge's Evaluation

Name: _____ County: _____

Division (circle): Junior Intermediate Senior I Senior II

A. Written Report	55 Total Points	Comments	Score
I. Choosing Clothing To Enhance Appearance and Increase Self-Confidence <ul style="list-style-type: none">Understanding that clothing communicatesConsideration given to color, style, fit, and fashion trends	15 pts		
II. Choosing With A Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">Intended use explained with suitability and function of garmentAccessories enhance total look	15 pts		
III. Consumer Skills Acquired <ul style="list-style-type: none">Identifies quality of workmanship in garmentKnowledge of garment fiber content and careAdjustments or garment alterations successfully undertakenQuestions answered	15 pts		
IV. Keeping Track Of Your Costs <ul style="list-style-type: none">Garment/accessories cost computed accuratelyValue of cost and care identifiedGarment/accessories mix with or enhance existing wardrobe	10 pts		

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B. Modeling Evaluation	30 Total Points	Comments	Score
I. Attractiveness Of Garment and Accessories <ul style="list-style-type: none">Suitability of garment for personCompatibility of fabric, style, colorAccessories compliment person, garment, occasion	15 pts		
II. Fit <ul style="list-style-type: none">Garment fits with easeNo visible undergarment linesDesign lines indicate correct fitGarment alterations appropriate	15 pts		
C. Interview Evaluation	15 Total Points	Comments	Score
I. Self-Expression/Poise <ul style="list-style-type: none">Creates good first impressionControls nervousness and anxietyMaintains eye contact	7 pts		
II. Self-Expression/Poise <ul style="list-style-type: none">Explains choices and decisions with confidenceListens carefully and answers the questionUses positive vocal qualities and facial expressions	8 pts		
Total Score	100 total points		Score

