

Opportunity Cost Worksheet

In the film, Ruksana's family is faced with two choices:

- 1. The family could live in a home in the countryside, but not have a way to send their children to school.
- 2. The parents could live on the streets in the city while their children stayed in a shelter at night for security and attended school.

Complete the table below by identifying the short and long-term costs and benefits related to the choices that Ruksana's family had to make.

Choice	Gain from taking opportunity	Cost of taking the opportunity
Have the children live with family at home in the countryside.		
Move to the city where they have to stay in a shelter at night.		

send their children to school in the city?		

Why do you think Ruksana's parents made the choice to move and

^{*}Note that the film states that girls who go to school earn higher salaries as adults.



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Ruksana begins to get into trouble for drawing during her math class at school. Her father makes the choice to purchase her art supplies to use outside of class so that she might pay better attention when it's time for math. The family has very few financial resources and can't afford to pay rent or own a home in the city. Evaluate the choice Ruksana's father made to purchase art supplies for his daughter.

Choice	Gain from taking opportunity	Cost of taking the opportunity
Buy art supplies for Ruksana.		
Save the money to go towards something else the family might need.		

Why do you think Ruksana's father made the choice to purchase her the art supplies with their limited resources?		