

# PROS AND CONS

Making a decision can be a tough thing to do sometimes. For this task we are going to look at a great decision-making tool that smart people use all the time when they are unsure of the best course of action.

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### EARN THIS NUGGET

Try using a pros-cons list as part of three decisions over the next three weeks and share your work and decision with your parents.

It is called a pros-and-cons list. Often when we look at a situation, a purchase or whatever we are contemplating, it's hard to see the facts clearly. This list will really help to bring things into perspective.

- Make a two-column list.
- On the left, put your pros. All the good things about this decision.
- On the right, you will write all the cons or negatives.

Very quickly, common sense starts to reveal itself. This does not replace discussing decisions with your parents or praying about a situation, of course. Should I use a pros-and-cons list?



Pros	Cons
It will help me make a decision	I have to use a piece of paper
Smart people use it	I have not done one before
It is a good visual help for making decisions	
It is quick	
It will teach me a new skill	

The right decision just seems to materialize before your eyes.