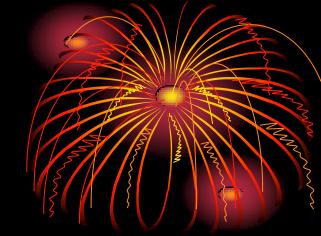


A Look at Wants and Needs

Why It's Important

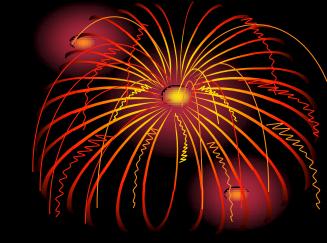
- Businesses satisfy people's basic needs all the way to their lavish wants.
- Competition and profit motivate these businesses to continually strive for your business.

An Abundance of Wants



- Wants are the things you wish you could have. Each person has wants.
- A group of people may also share the same wants. Although these wants are shared, they are considered *private wants*.
- Some wants are widely shared by many people.

An Abundance of Wants



- These wants are no longer considered private but become public wants, such as highways, drinking water, and education.
- For the most part local, state, and federal governments satisfy public wants.

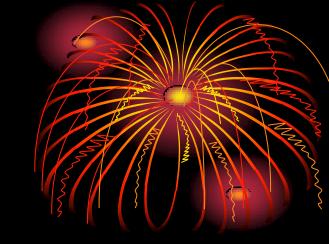
Satisfying Wants and Needs With Goods and Services

- Necessary wants are needs.
- Food, shelter, and clothing are basic needs.
- Goods can be physically weighed or measured.
- Goods satisfy your wants and needs for material things that you can see or touch.

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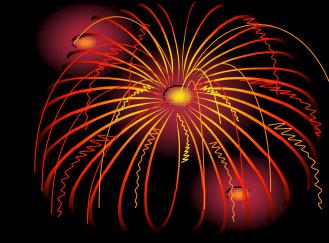
- Services are tasks that people or machines perform.
- Services also satisfy some of your wants for things you can't see or touch.
- In a business context wants are not about intangible desires such as love and respect.

Unlimited Wants, Limited Resources



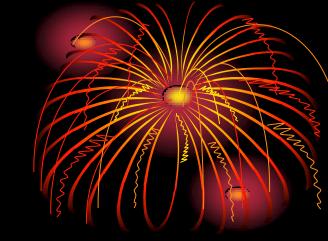
- Most people have unlimited wants for goods and services.
- The more money you make, the more goods or services you want.
- A resource is anything that people can use to make or obtain what they need or want.

Unlimited Wants, Limited Resources



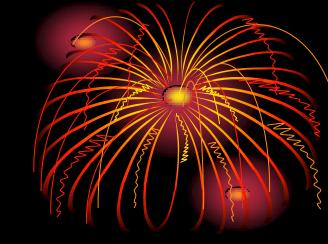
- Examples of resources include:
 - Fuel
 - Timber
 - Labor
 - Money.
- The problem of unlimited wants and limited resources affects individuals, companies, and nations.

Unlimited Wants, Limited Resources



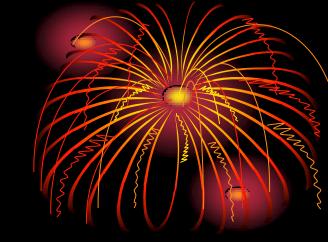
- Resources limit the number of wants people can satisfy.
- Businesses and government are influenced by the same problem.

Deciding on Your Resources



- People make the most of their resources by making the right choices about what to buy.
- The decision-making process is a step-by-step method to carefully consider alternatives that result in better choices.

Deciding on Your Resources



- The decision-making process has five essential steps:
 - Identify the problem.
 - List the alternatives.
 - Determine the pros and cons.
 - Make the best decision.
 - Evaluate your decision.

Graphic Organizer

GOODS

Tangible Material Things RESOURCES
Anything people can
use to make or obtain
what they want or need

WANTS

Things you wish you could have

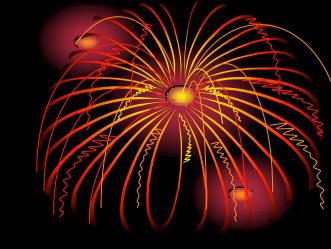
NEEDS Necessary wants

SERVICES

Tasks Performed

REVIEW

- Can You Define:
 - Wants
 - Needs
 - Goods
 - Services
 - Resources
- What is the difference between public wants and private wants?





REVIEW

- Can You List the steps in the decision-making process?
 - 1. Identify the Problem
 - 2. List the Alternatives
 - 3. Determine the Pros and Cons
 - 4. Make your best decision
 - 5. Evaluate your decision

What Is Business?

- Business is any activity that seeks profit by providing goods or services to others.
- Businesses provide you with necessities.
- Businesses also provide people with the opportunity to become wealthy.

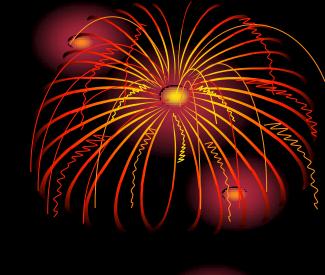
What Business Does

- A business must organize the people and equipment to provide the product.
- People within the organization manage the company's resources to produce the product.
- The company *markets* the product or service by deciding where to sell it and how to advertise it.

Business's Motivations

- Profit is the amount of money left over after a business has paid for the cost of producing its goods and services.
- Profit is the motivation for taking the risk to start a business.
- A business is profitable when sales are high and costs are kept low.

Business and You

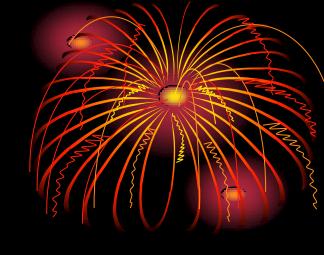


- Businesses make many decisions that impact you.
- However, you also affect business.

You as a Consumer

- A consumer is a person who selects, purchases, uses, or disposes of goods or services.
- Business is aware of your changing needs and wants.
- Businesses affect you when they discontinue products. The decision to stop manufacturing products is often because there is a decreasing demand.

You as a Consumer

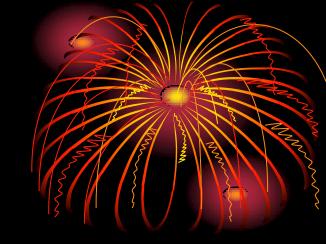


 When a company is slow to respond to customers' complaints and doesn't communicate very well, then customers usually find another company's product to buy.

You as a Wage Earner

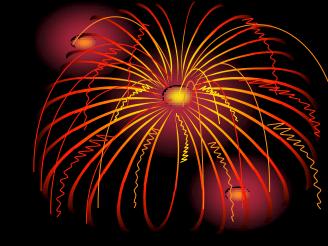
- In order to make products and provide services, businesses hire people to work.
- In order to produce a product, the business decides how it will be produced.
- In business today, workers have more input about how business is done.
- When you're an employee, quality of work, decision-making skills, and input to problems help a business flourish.

REVIEW II



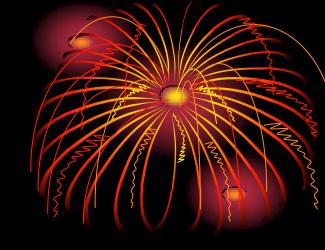
- Define business.
- List the business activities that happen behind every product or service.
- How does business affect you as a consumer and as a wage earner?

Self-Discovery in Business



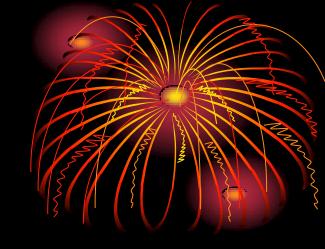
- Changes in the price of consumer goods, company bankruptcies and interest rates affect your life.
- What happens in business and government will make a difference to the world you live and work in.

The Value of Knowledge



- When you become a business owner, manager, or employee, you'll need business knowledge.
- The more education you have, the better your income.

What Do You Like?



- Learn as much now in order to make an informed decision in the future.
- Explore all the business opportunities in order to see what is available to you in order to satisfy your wants and needs.