

Presenter notes

- This presentation has been created with the view of taking around 15- 20 minutes
- The information is correct when created in August 2026 – please check any key information before delivering as the landscape can change!

User instructions

- The presentation is split into two parts- a price guessing game, then information
- For guidance, please use the explanation sheets
- For the price game, it may be beneficial for students to have pen and paper to write their guesses down

Get Set: GCSE to HE

Finance at university

Navigate the Journey



Aims



To outline the financial costs and financial support available for university

Guess the price

- For each item, write down how much you think it might cost
- We will then reveal the answer, and you can see how close you were!
- It is important to be savvy with your money when at university – you will need to learn how to **budget**

Pasta & sauce



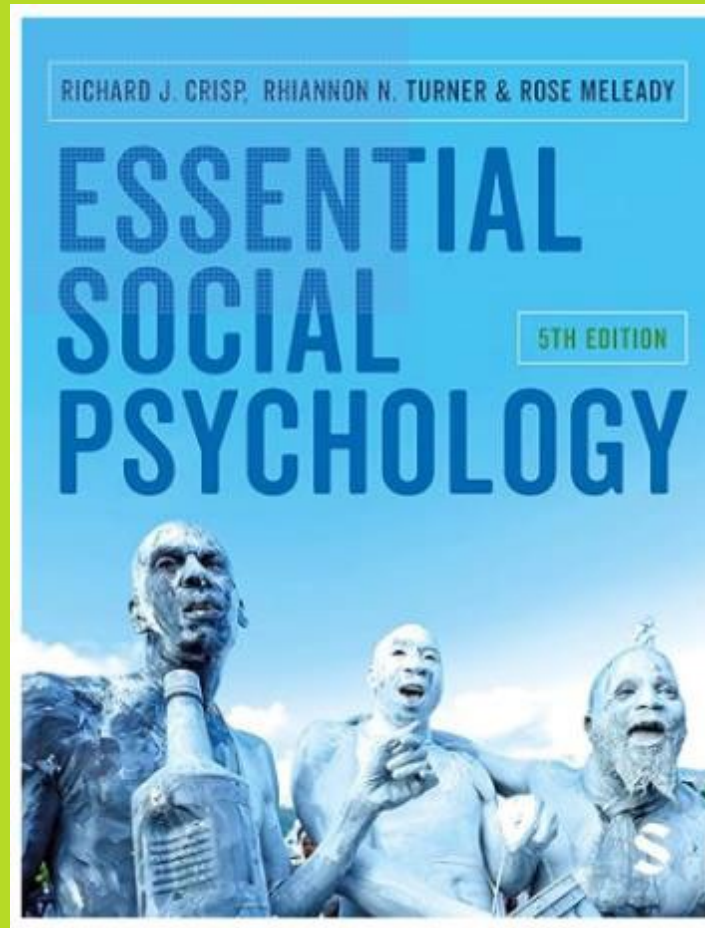
Pasta & sauce



$$60p + 79p = \text{£}1.39$$



University book



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Note – you don't have to buy new books! Universities will have libraries to access and there are often second-hand book fairs from previous students too!

Domino's medium pizza

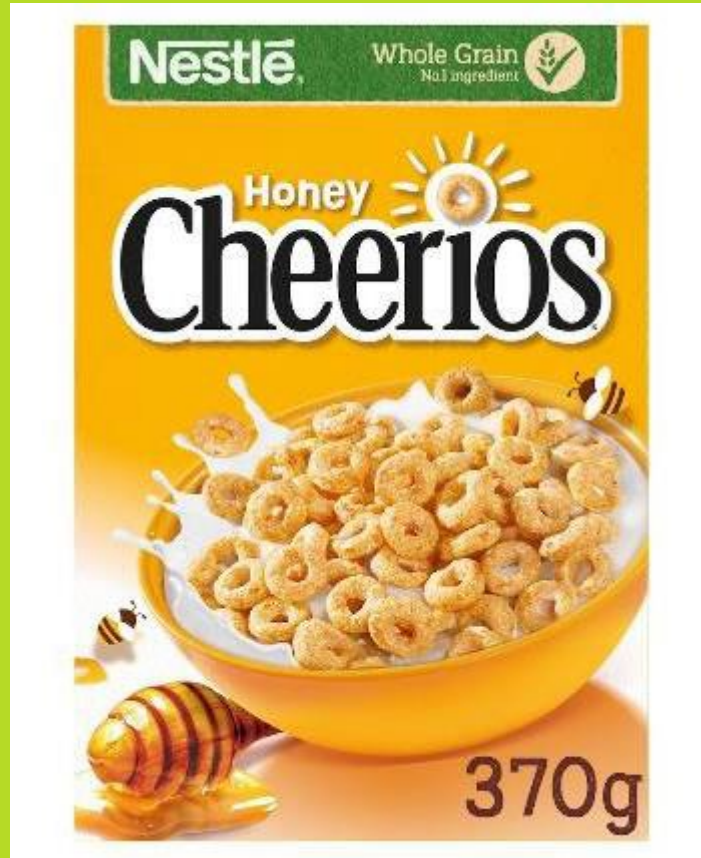


Domino's medium pizza

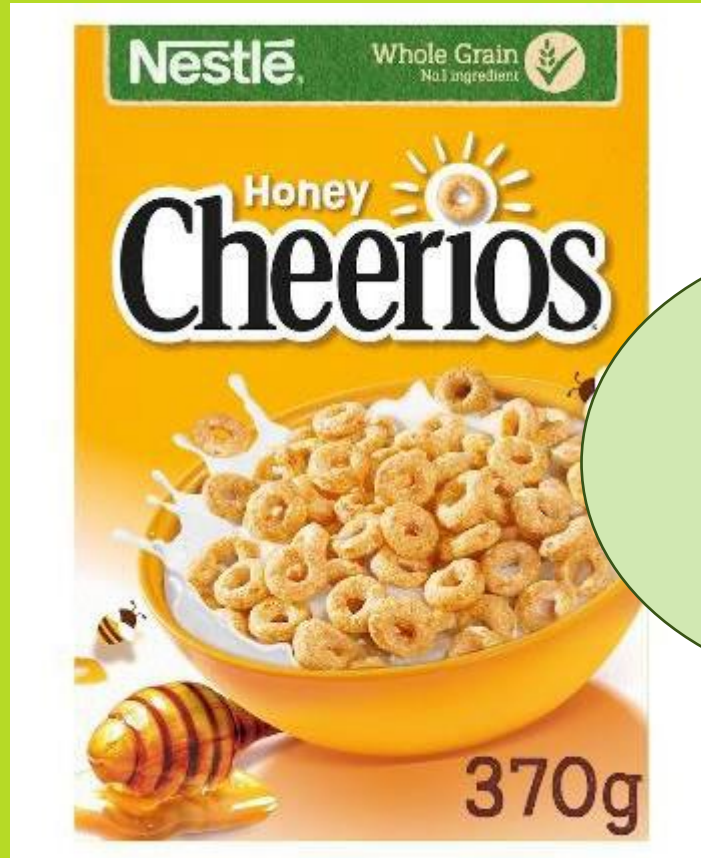


£23.99
(unless you get
offers!)

Milk & cereal



Milk & cereal



$$\begin{aligned} &£3.35 + \\ &£1.20 = \\ &£4.55 \end{aligned}$$



Annual bus pass for Norwich



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Cinema ticket at Vue, Norwich



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Jacket potato with cheese and beans on campus



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UEA gym membership per year



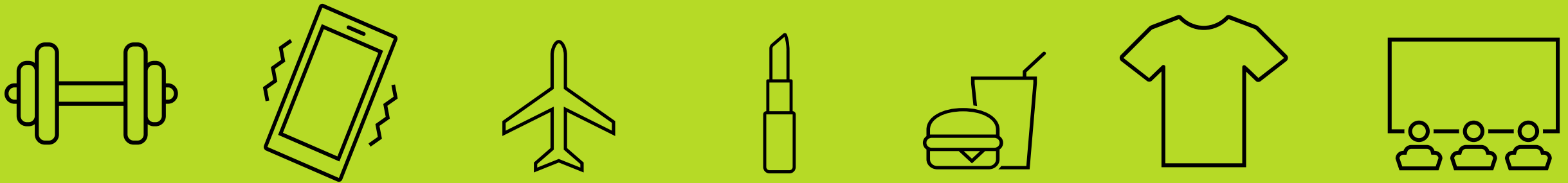
UEA gym membership per year



£24.50 a
month (plus
initial £50)

Guess the price - reflection

- How did you get on?
- Did any of the prices surprise you?
- **Discuss with the person next to you: if you were living on a limited budget, what would be the things you would prioritise paying for (aside from accommodation/bills)?**



A final guess the price...

How much do you think
it costs to pay for
tuition fees for
learning at university
each year?



A final guess the price...

How much do you think
it costs to go to
university
each year?

In 2026-2027,
the cost is
£9,790 per
year!



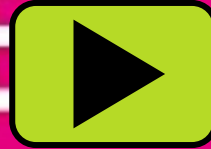
Tuition fees

This is the cost of studying your course, paid directly to the university.

Cost of living

This is the cost of everything else – your accommodation, food, phone bill, hobbies, etc.

STUDENT FINANCE EXPLAINED



2026 TO 2027

Available help

How can you pay
for the tuition fees?

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- Paid to university
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What help can you
get with living
costs?



- Maintenance loan available
- Everyone can access some
- Household requirements for maximum amounts
- Pay back when earning over a certain amount

Student finance – repaying the loan

Tuition Loan

£9,790 per year from 2026-27.

Maintenance Loan

Between **£4,013** and **£14,125** per year.

Paying it Back

You only pay back 9% of what you earn over £25,000. Then, after 40 years, it disappears!

Student finance – repaying the loan

Example

Imagine you earn £25,000 a year.
Each month, your student loan will
cost you:

£0

Paying it Back

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earn over £25,000. Then, after 40
years, it disappears!

Student finance – repaying the loan

Example

Imagine you earn £30,000 a year.
Each month, your student loan will
cost you:

£37.50

Paying it Back

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earn over £25,000. Then, after 40
years, it disappears!

How else can you pay for your living costs?

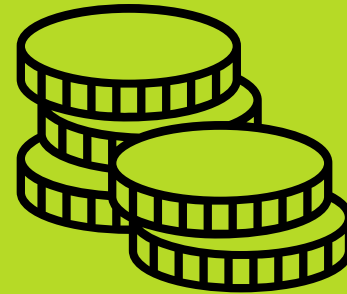
Bursaries and scholarships from universities



Working a part-time job

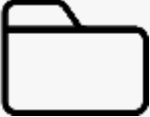


Support for specific groups eg parents/carers, or those who are care experienced or have a disability

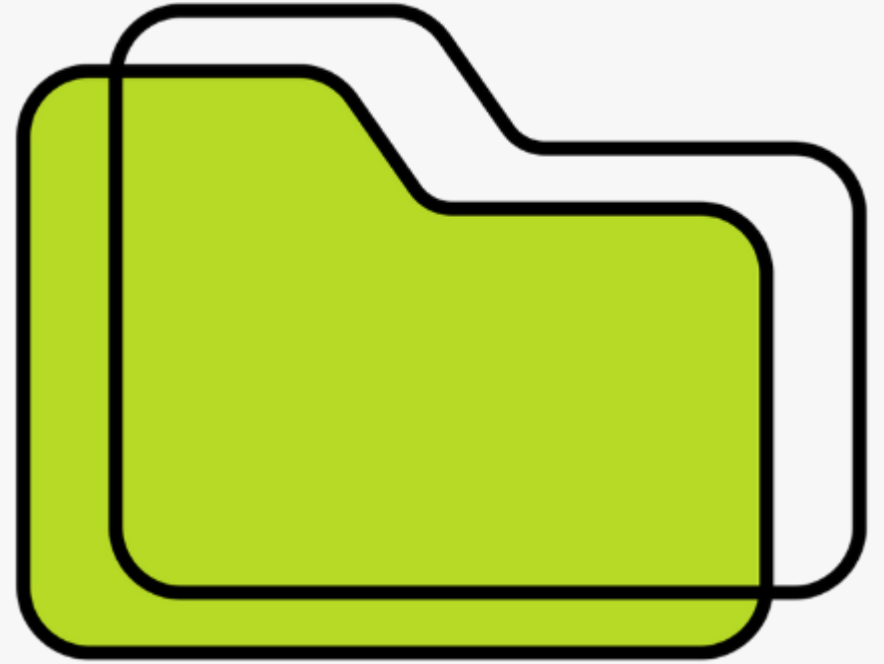


You could be eligible for an NHS bursary



GET SET 

Thank you



Navigate the Journey