



## Comparison Shopping



### Badge Overview

You can buy just about anything online these days. Even if you end up buying an item in store, you can use the internet to compare products and prices. Although online shopping is convenient, there are certain things to know to make sure you find the best deals on the best products in the safest way possible.

Make sure you have your parent's permission before heading online throughout the badge activities.

### Badge Components

#### 1. Learn to comparison shop

Pick an item that you want to buy. With your parent's permission, earn this step by finding three different prices on 3 different sites. Don't forget to look for discounts or coupon codes!

#### 2. Find out how to use online reviews

You can often find user reviews as you shop, and you can find various articles and blogs that often review particular items. With your parents permission, earn this step by finding 6 reviews of your product.

- Are they more positive or negative?
- Which do you take more seriously, and why?

#### 3. Check out the fine print

Earn this step by completing the online comparison chart on this [worksheet](#) comparing the variety of costs associated with your product on the 3 different sites.

- Which one is the best deal?

#### 4. Investigate how to avoid online fraud

Earn this step by watching this [video](#) on how to stay safe while shopping online! Also, remember to always get your parent's permission before online shopping and never give your social security number—it will never be needed for an online purchase.

#### 5. Know how to manage your online shopping

Online shopping is fast and easy, and there are so many great things to buy right at your fingertips. It can be easy to get caught up in it, so it is key to find ways to manage your time and money while doing it! Earn this step by talking to someone older in your home who has experience online shopping.

- What do they do to make sure they don't go too far?

### Materials

- Something to write with
- Access to internet
- [Online Comparison Chart Worksheet](#)

### Florida Educational Standards

The content of all Girl Scout national proficiency Badges and Journeys have been correlated by grade level to national and state learning objectives.

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