

# 8.6 Other Types of Insurance

Student Activity Packet
UNIT: INSURANCE

### Name:

## Students will be able to:

- Explain how pet insurance works and how it compares to human health insurance
- Differentiate between short- and long-term disability insurance
- Decide when a life insurance policy is appropriate and how to select the best type for their needs



#### **PROMPT:**

Think about your average day.

- 1. Name at least 3 risks you take during the average day.
- 2. What are the potential consequences of these risks?
- 3. What, if anything, do you do to protect yourself against those risks?



#### **ACTIVITY: INTERACTIVE: Bummer!**

Every day is filled with risks, and insurance companies exist to sell you insurance to help alleviate the financial damage of those possible risks. In this game, you'll spin the Wheel of Bummers to find out which risks are coming your way. Follow the directions on the worksheet to complete this activity.

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## **VIDEO: What Is Pet Insurance?**

In Bummer!, one type of insurance you purchased was pet insurance. Watch this video to learn more about how this insurance works in real life. Then, answer the questions.

- 1. Match each scenario with the type of pet insurance that would cover that particular kind of incident.
  - Dennis's cat gets run into by a teenager riding a skateboard, and her paw is all torn up

\_\_\_ Accident & illness

b. Marsha's dog seems lethargic, hasn't been playing as much as normal, and only eats about half its food its food

\_\_\_ Accident only

c. Colin brings his cat in for a check-up to make sure her ears and teeth are clean

\_\_\_\_ Wellness insurance

- 2. What is meant by the "waiting period" when signing up for pet insurance?
- 3. Does the deductible for pet insurance work more like the deductible for auto insurance or like the deductible for human health insurance? Explain your answer.
- 4. Does the annual limit for pet insurance work more like the annual limit for auto insurance or like the out-of-pocket max for human health insurance? Explain your answer.

## **ARTICLE: What's the Difference Between Long-Term and Short-Term Disability Insurance?**

Now that we've learned about pet insurance, let's move back to thinking about people and the risks we take. Working, driving, climbing up a ladder, or even inexplicably developing a long-term illness can impact our ability to work and earn a living. Disability insurance can help. Skim this article to find answers to complete the questions below.

1. Complete the chart with information from the article.

Term	Describe what it means	Short-term disability insurance	Long-term disability insurance
Benefit period			
Coverage level			
Elimination period			

2. Flora says it's more important to purchase long-term disability insurance, because you might not be able to work for years. Fauna says it's more important to purchase short-term disability insurance, because short-term illnesses and injuries are far more common. What do you think?

3. Finn's got a different idea about disability insurance. He's thinking, "Why pay all those premiums when I might never need the coverage? I'll wait until something happens, preventing me from working, and sign up for disability insurance then!" Why won't this work?

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#### **WEBSITE: Life Insurance 101**

Disability insurance provides cash payouts if you're unable to work. Life insurance also provides cash payouts if the insured person dies while the policy is in effect. First, watch the video at the top of the page and then explore the Questions and Answers that follow in order to answer these questions.

- 1. How do you decide if you even need life insurance?
- 2. Wait a second: If you have life insurance, and you are the one no longer alive, who gets the benefit payout?
- 3. What types of expenses can your life insurance beneficiary pay for with the benefit?
- 4. What are the two types of life insurance policies, and what is the difference between the two?
- 5. What factors impact the cost of your life insurance premium?



Follow your teacher's directions to complete the Exit Ticket.