

## An Egyptian Market

Each group will receive a description of an Egyptian family. Read about your families together. You and your family members will evaluate and assess your needs in order to be as successful as possible at the village market. Your survival depends on the supplies you purchase and sell! Follow the steps below to prepare for your trip to the market.

1. Familiarize yourself with your family's situation, needs, and the values of various products (CHECK the trading value list).
2. Record the following on your market chart: 1. What do you have? 2. What do you need 3. What do you want 4. Figure out the value of these items.
3. Decide as a family what you want to buy and sell. Fill out the buy/sell portion of your market chart.
4. Make simple signs to carry around the market showing what you have to sell so people can see what products you have.
5. When you go to market be prepared to barter\* with those who have items you want. Prices in Egypt were pretty stable but, prices in any market can rise and fall based on the availability and demand for a product.
6. Your goal is to have a successful day at the market selling all of your goods and buying all the items you need.

### GOODS AND THEIR VALUES

Goods:	Value in deben*:
75 liters of wheat (1 bag)	1 deben
Large bundle of flax (makes 1 roll of linen)	1 deben
1 bag of barley (makes for jugs of beer)	1 deben
3 bags of onions	1 deben
2 bags of dates, figs or pomegranates	1 deben
3 chickens	1 deben
3 large fish	1 deben
2 geese	1 deben
1 cow	5 debens
1 goat	3 debens
1 pig	2 debens
4 jugs of beer	1 deben
40 mud bricks	1 deben
Roll of linen cloth	2 debens
1 woman's shift	1 deben
1 small child's shift	1 deben
Pair of sandals	1 deben

## MARKET CHART

What do you need?	Value of each item according to the chart:
What do you have?	
What do you want?	

BUY	SELL