GETTING EQUIPPED FOR THE MOUNTAINS

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I. Introduction:

- 1. Brainstorm students how they get dressed for the following occasions: a party, a wedding, a class.
- 2. What special clothes do you need to perform these sports? swimming, boxing, karate, mountain hiking?
- 3. Which of these objects do you need to take to go mountain hiking? googles, skis, sandals, boots, a vest, a hat, sunglasses, a jacket, shorts, swimming trunks/suit

II. Online work:

- 1. go to North Face (http://www.northface.com), then click on "Products",
 - click "Products", then either "Men's" or "Women's", then go through the products and choose one jacket or vest, shirt, gloves, a hat, pants and footwear
 - put down the name, the price, short description, sizes, weight

Article of	Name	Price	Sizes	Weight
clothing				

- 2. now you need to be equipped in some other essentials
 - to find out what, go to http://www.backpacking.net, then click 14 Essentials in Gear Checklists menu on the left)
 - put down the essentials: map, compass, flashlight/headlamp, extra food, extra clothes, sunglasses, first-aid kit, pocket knife, waterproof matches, firestarter, water/filter/bottles, insect repellent, sunburn preventatives
 - now work in groups, go to Campmor online shop (http://www.campmor.com), scroll down the page, and from the list all departments choose some other equipment that might be useful on your expedition
 - note down the name and the price

III. Post-Internet work

- 1. get back in groups and try to convince your partners to buy this or that piece of equipment. Attention! You have a limited budget of 1,000 dollars per person for all the equipment.
- 2. go back to http://www.backpacking.net/ and "Checklist 1 or 2" from "Gear checklists" on the left (or http://www.backpacking.net/cheklist.html) and find out if there are some other things you really need
- 3. if necessary, go back to http://www.campmor.com and get the prices of other equipment
- 4. make a roleplay of parents and almost adult children wanting to go on a backpacking trip and needing money for the gear

Note: for great backpacking links, go to http://www.johann-sandra.com/backpacking.htm and then "Backpacking links" in the menu on the left. For a list of backpacking gear suppliers, go to http://www.backpacking.com, click on "suppliers".