Needs vs. Wants Lesson

Learning Objectives:

Students will learn what the difference is between needs and wants.

Materials & Preparation:

- Needs vs. Wants power point (included)
- Needs vs. Wants Comprehension Questions (included)
- Needs vs. Wants matching activities (included)
- Needs vs. Wants Picture writing prompt (included)
- Things I Need vs. Things I Want (included)

Instruction:

- What are things you need to live, survive? What could you not go one without? What are things that want but don't need?
- Needs vs. Wants power point
- Discuss needs and wants.

Independent Working Time:

- Comprehension questions
- Matching activities
- Picture Writing prompt

Wrap up/Closing:

- Review!!
- Go over specific needs and wants.

Ideas for Other Activities:

- Have students go home and look around their home. What are 5 things they see they need and 5 things they see that are wants?
- What are 5 things they could give up because they know they don't need them?
- What are things that society makes us feel like we need, but don't?

Name _____ Date_____

Answer the questions about Needs vs. Wants.

1. Something you must have in order to survive is called a _____.
   a. Want
   b. Need
   c. Hot commodity

2. Something you would like to have for pleasure or for fun is a _____.
   a. Want
   b. Need
   c. Hot commodity

3. Many people sometimes mistake a WANT for a NEED.
   a. True
   b. False
   c. Never happens

4. Drinking water is a _____.
   a. Want
   b. Need
   c. Annoying thing to do

5. Having shelter is known as a _____.
   a. Want
   b. Need
   c. Nothing

6. Owning the new air pods is a _____.
   a. Want
   b. Need
   c. Wish

Score: _____/6 = _____%

Name _____ Date_____

Match the pictures with the same picture.

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Name _____ Date _____

Match the pictures with the words.

Gaming system

Shelter

Cell phone

Food

Water

Name _____ Date _____

Draw pictures of items that you NEED and write about them.

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Name _____ Date _____

Draw pictures of items that you WANT and write about them.

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Name _____ Date _____

Cut out the pictures and sort them into Needs or Wants.

NEEDS	WANTS