

GEOLOGICAL EXPEDITION #4657 VOLCANIC MEASURMENT AND ANALYSIS

Volcano studies form an extremely important sector of our geological studies. The department is coming under increasing pressure to save money and streamline our resources. We must fight to maintain our volcanic studies. Although a volcanic eruption can be an awesome display of the Earth's power, it also causes disastrous loss of life and property, especially in densely populated regions of the world. As such, we can argue our work is cheaper than the impact of an unmonitored volcano. We must only think of Vesuvius or Eyjafjallajökull in Iceland to understand the importance of our work.

Calculate carefully, as your expedition cost analysis will be submitted to the committee for review and authorisation.

Focus and accuracy is needed.



1. Individual Kit List

Rucksack	£17
Waterproofs	£9
Thermals	£13
Walking Boots	£26
Torch	£6
Sleeping Bag	£37
Sleep mat	£48
Survival Bag	£11

There are 13 members in your team. Calculate the total cost of individual kit for the team.

2. Camp Kit

Camp kit costs will depend on the length of your expedition. Use the details below to calculate your expected expedition length. Note: You need to add one fifth contingency to the total days. Formula: days x team number = length

	Current Study
Travel Days	19
Study Days	65
Rest Days	11

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Each camp day you have calculated will have the following costs: food £23, first aid £7, fuel £17, life and accident insurance £51 and wages £98. Showing a breakdown of each cost plus a total cost for the camp, calculate your full camp costs.



3. Technical resources

For each selected item please ensure you add £5 per day insurance to the hire cost.



Equipment		Hire (cost per day)	Number of days	Hire Cost	£5 per day Insurance	Total cost
Thermometer	<	£1,234	65			
Soil collection pods	\checkmark	£2,543	23			
Chemical analysis	\checkmark	£7,325	30			
Richter graph	\checkmark	£5,731	35			

4. Permits

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You will need to ensure you have adequate permits from local agencies for any exclusion zones which are necessary. Please detail the daily cost of an exclusion zone permit below. These are charged at £7 per metre².



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5. Transportation



Helicopter transportation saves time, reducing days spent on site and therefore costs. Costing options for Helicopter transport is detailed below.

Calculate cost per passenger to help maximise value for money. Note: 2 members of the team will be on rest each day, and 2 more will remain at the lab.

Helicopter	Cost per trip	Per passenger	Tick to select option
4 seater	£1,224		
8 seater	£2,943		
10 seater	£3,510		

Jeeps are needed to transport kit and workers (except the ones on rest days). Calculate the best daily option to hire. Note: The daily kit needed takes up 3 seats.

Jeep	Cost per trip (outward and return journey)	Total Daily Cost	Price per Person	Tick to select option
4 seater	£242			
8 seater	£473			

6. PRE EXPEDITION TRAINING AND BRIEFING

Now you are all ready for your training and pre-expedition briefing. An external company has quoted £346 per person for three days training. Internally we know we can run the training for $\pounds4,364$ for the whole group. APPROVED

Which is the most cost effective?

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Brilliant work the whole expedition is approved!