#### Block 1 - Info sheet

# A New Life

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#### Block 2 - Intro to Bimboola

## <u>Bimboola</u>

In this study you will become a citizen of Bimboola. You will start a new life there, and become a member of Bimboolean society. Bimboola is just like any other society. In terms of wealth distribution, income levels take the shape of the picture below.



You can see in the picture that:

- income group 1 earns less than 25,000 BD per year
- income group 2 earns between 25,000 and 75,000 BD per year
- income group 3 earns between 75,000 and 125,000 BD per year

- income group 4 earns between 125,000 and 250,000BD per year
- income group 5 earns more than 250,000 per year

How much you can buy to start off your new life in Bimboola will depend on which income group you are assigned to.

On the next page you will receive information about the Bimboolean income group to which you have been assigned. Please read this information <u>carefully</u>.

## Block 3.2 - assignment to C2

You have been assigned to income group 2.



## Block 4.2 - manipcheck C2

Bimboolean citizens in **income group 2** earn **between 25,000 and 75,000 BD** per year.

Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements:

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
My group is rich	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
My group is poor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Block 3.4 - assignment to C4

## You have been assigned to income group <u>4</u>.

5	• > 250,000 BD			
4	• 125,000 - 250,000 BD			
3	• 75,000 - 125,000 BD			
2	• 25,000 - 75,000 BD			
1	• < 25,000 BD			

#### Block 4.4 - manipcheck C4

Bimboolean citizens in **income group 4** earn **between 125,000 and 250,000 BD** per year.

Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements:

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
My group is rich	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
My group is poor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Block 5 - Introduction to shopping - all conditions

To begin your new life in Bimboola, the daily essentials must be purchased. The following questions will ask you to select items which you require. However, only items which you can afford are able to be selected, this is governed by your group's annual income.

## Block 6.2 - Reminder of being assigned to C2

PLEASE NOTE: you are assigned to **income group 2**, so you will **earn between 25,000 and 75,000 BD** per year.

## Block 7.2 - Shopping in condition 2

Below you see a number of houses.

<u>Important</u>: you can only choose between those houses that your income group can afford. The items are numbered by income group so you know what you can afford. For example, if you are in income group 3, you can afford houses 1a to 3c, but not houses 4a to 5c.

Please select the house you would like to buy by clicking on one of the pictures:

O 1A



O 1B







O 2A







O 2C



O 3A



○ 3B



O 3C



O 4A



O 4B



O 4C



O 5A



O 5B







Below you see a number of cars.

<u>Important</u>: you can only choose between those cars that your income group can afford. The items are numbered by income group so you know what you can afford.

For example, if you are in income group 3, you can afford cars 1a to 3c, but not cars 4a to 5c.

Please select the car you would like to buy by clicking on one of the pictures:



O 1B



O 1C



O 2A







O 2C



O 3A



O 3B



O 3C



O 4A



O 4B



O 4C



O 5A



O 5B







Below you see a number of mobile phones.

<u>Important</u>: you can only choose between those phones that your income group can afford. The items are numbered by income group so you know what you can afford. For example, if you are in income group 3, you can afford phones 1a to 3c, but not phones 4a to 5c.

Please select the phone you would like to buy by clicking on one of the pictures:



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O 1B

O 1A



O 1C



O 2A



O 2B



O 2C



## O 3A



O 3B







O 4A



O 4B



O 4C



O 5A



Below you see a number of holiday options.

<u>Important</u>: you can only choose between those holidays that your income group can afford. The items are numbered by income group so you know what you can afford. For example, if you are in income group 3, you can afford holidays 2a to 3c, but not holidays 4a to 5c.

Please select the holiday you would choose by clicking on one of the pictures:

2A - a day at the beach (domestic)



2B - a camping trip (domestic, 3 days)



2C -a day at a theme park (domestic)



3A a motorhome holiday (domestic, 1 week)



3B a 4WD adventure (domestic, 1 week)



3C - a stay at a holiday village (domestic, 1 week)



4A - city hopping in Europe (overseas, 2 weeks)



4B - a cultural trip to Thailand (overseas, 2 weeks)



4C - a snorkling/diving holiday (domestic, 2 weeks)



5A - a Maldives Beach Holiday (overseas, as long as you like)



5B - a Swiss luxury skiing holiday (overseas, as long as you like)

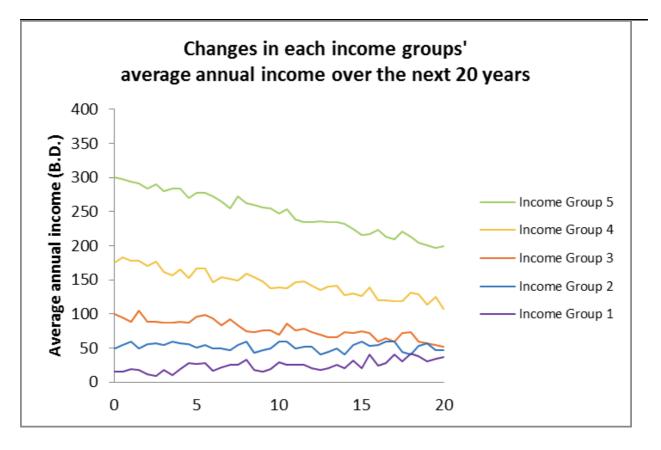


5C -a space trip (day trip in a space shuttle)



Block 9.2.1 - Wealth-gap Decrease: C2

Imagine that over the next 20 years, Bimboola is affected by a change in economy. As a result, the wealth gap in Bimboolean society has decreased. Status differences have decreased: the poor have become richer, the moderately wealthy earn about the same, and the rich have lost some of the wealth and become poorer.

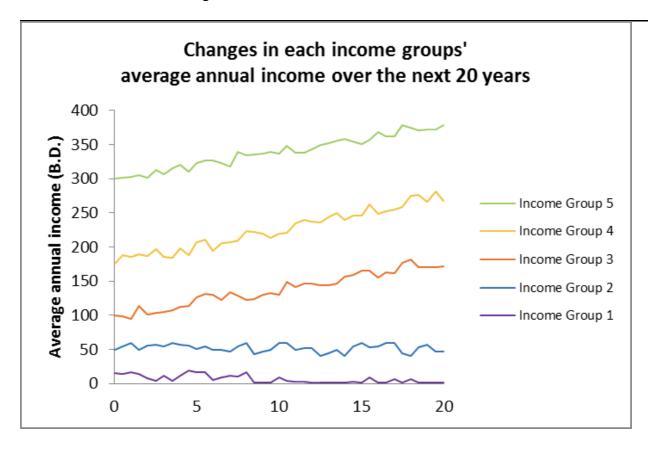


As can be seen in the graph above, your economic group (income group 2) has not really been affected by the change in economy. Your group's income has remained relatively stable and approximately the same as it was when you first

## became a member of Bimboolean society.

#### Block 9.2.2 Wealth-gap Increase: C2

Imagine that over the next 20 years, Bimboola is affected by a change in economy. As a result, the wealth gap in Bimboolean society has increased. Status differences have increased: the poor have become poorer, the moderately wealthy earn about the same, and the rich have gained more wealth and become richer.



As can be seen in the graph above, your economic group (income group 2) has not really been affected by the change in economy. Your group's income has remained relatively stable and approximately the same as it was when you first became a member of Bimboolean society.

MC - Income Inequality