

Lesson 1 Assignment

In today's assignment, I'd like you to try to create a pie chart around a set of values and numbers that I'll supply.

Please start Excel, and go to cell A1 in a new worksheet. Type the following values representing a person's monthly budget in the cells of column A as listed below:

A1: Item

A2: Rent

A3: Car

A4: Food

A5: Insurance

A6: Other

Now go to cell B1, and type the following in column B:

B1: Amount

B2: 900

B3: 620

B4: 435

B5: 293

B6: 118

When you finish, select the labels and numbers in cells A1 through B6. Then use the various steps outlined in the lesson to create a pie chart. Give the chart a custom title and a legend, and move it to a new sheet tab named *MonthlyBudget*.

Then, customize the chart as you see fit. Even though we didn't specifically discuss this in the lesson, see if you can figure out how to change the color of a single slice of the pie without changing all of the others. If you can't figure this one out, don't worry; just contact me in the Discussion Area, and I'll provide the necessary steps.

Use the tabs on the bottom of the Excel application window to switch back and forth between your chart and your numbers and values. Change a number or value, and see what happens to your chart.

You don't need to save this assignment or turn it in to me. You'll have no trouble determining whether or not you're doing the assignment correctly. Have fun!