

(b) Fiona and Niall have prepared a budget for the first four months of 2019. Their partially completed Budget Form is shown on the next page.

(i) You are required to complete this form, taking the following information into account.

PLANNED EXPENDITURE:

- Fiona and Niall pay €820 each month for their mortgage. They expect this to decrease by €30 per month from 1 February.
- Their house insurance premium is €420 per year, payable monthly from 1 January.
- Fiona will pay €500 for car insurance in February.
- Household costs are estimated at €1,400 per month, except in April when they will be 10% less.
- Fiona's car running costs are expected to be €120 per month.
- Public transport costs for Niall are expected to be €80 per month.
- Bills for light and heat are expected to be €150 in January and €110 in March. Home heating oil will cost €230 in February.
- Telephone bills for the household will cost €80 per month.
- Fiona and Niall plan to spend €70 on presents in March.
- Entertainment will cost €300 each month, except in April, when they will cost €200 extra.
- Fiona and Niall plan to save €700 per month.

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	TOTAL
<b>PLANNED INCOME</b>	€	€	€	€	€
Niall Adams – Salary	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	7,200
Fiona Sheeran – Salary	1,900	1,900	2,000	2,000	7,800
<b>TOTAL INCOME: (A)</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>3,800</b>	<b>3,800</b>	<b>15,000</b>
<b>PLANNED EXPENDITURE</b>					
<b>FIXED</b>					
Mortgage					
House Insurance					
Car Insurance					
<b>Subtotal</b>					
<b>IRREGULAR:</b>					
Household Costs					
Car Running costs					
Public Transport Costs					
Light & Heat					
School Costs					
<b>Subtotal</b>					
<b>DISCRETIONARY:</b>					
Presents					
Entertainment					
<b>Subtotal</b>					
Savings	500				500
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE (B)</b>					
<b>NET CASH (A – B)</b>					
<b>OPENING CASH</b>					
<b>CLOSING CASH</b>					

(ii) Recommend **one** action that Fiona and Niall could take to improve this budget.

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