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Planning the Perfect Surprise Birthday: Budget Challenge

Planning the Perfect Surprise Birthday: Budget Challenge Complete this homework independently. Create a realistic celebration budget in **TT\$**, state your assumptions and sources or notes, show your working, and round money to the nearest cent unless instructed otherwise. You may use the sample prices in the teacher guide or invent reasonable prices without internet research.

Scenario and constraints

You are planning a surprise birthday celebration for a close friend. Your fixed spending limit is **TT\$3,500.00**. The celebration must include at least 8 guests, food and drinks, a venue or location, decorations, a birthday cake, a gift, and transport. You may make reasonable choices, such as holding the event at home or hiring a venue, but you must state your assumptions. Do not include costs that you cannot explain.

Category	Quantity	Unit cost (TT\$)	Estimated total (TT\$)
Source or note	Food		
		Drinks	

Part B: Calculations

Use your completed budget for the following questions. If your choices differ from the sample budget, your numerical answers may differ; show a clear method so your reasoning can be assessed.

1. Calculate the subtotal for food, drinks and decorations in your budget.

2. Calculate the complete estimated cost of your celebration.

3. How much of the TT\$3,500.00 limit remains? State whether your budget is within the limit or overspending.

Part C: Compare two celebration options

Use the estimates in the comparison table for the same 8-guest celebration. Treat the food, drinks, cake, gift, transport and contingency costs as unchanged in both options. Calculate each option's total and compare them.

Cost item	Home celebration	Hired venue
Venue / location	TT\$0	TT\$450
Extra set-up / cleaning	TT\$180	TT\$0
All other costs	TT\$2,480	TT\$2,480

Part D: Decision and extension

Answer in complete sentences. Refer to figures from your own budget or from the comparison table when explaining your decisions.