

Matching Game Activity

Match the paper item in the left-hand column to the correct amount of time it should be kept in the right-hand column.

This can be done individually or in pairs or small group discussion – whichever works best for your audience size and style.

Read through the lists in both columns. Instruct your audience accordingly if you want them to do this individually, in pairs or in small groups. Allow several minutes for them to make their decisions.

Announce that it's time to reveal the answers. Go through the list of paper items one at a time. Ask the audience what they think is the best response. Click to reveal the line connecting the item to its correct response.

Answers:

- Retail receipt, debit – Keep long enough to verify the correct amount has been charged to your bank account
- Car title – Keep the title as long as you own the vehicle
- Charitable donation receipt, cash – Keep the receipt for tax time. Charitable donations are tax deductible.
- Passport – Keep until it expires.
- Utility bill – After you pay the bill, keep until the next statement arrives.
- Newspaper – Discard after reading. If it's been several days and you still haven't read it, you need to discard it.
- Birth certificate – Keep permanently.

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