



Hospitality and Catering

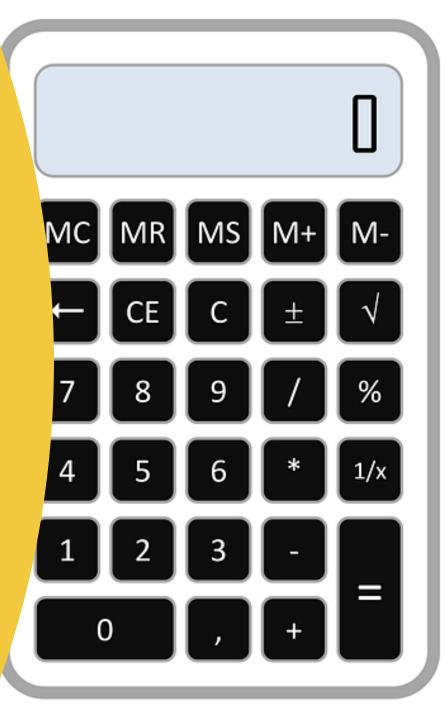
Costings

Lesson 6

Become an expert at costings helping to run a successful business.

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Reporting costs

At its most basic level you will need to report certain costs to your manager. It shows that you are being responsible for your area.





Reporting costs

Working out gross profit and then gross profit percentage will help you to understand how and what is in your control.

This will be your responsibility.



Basic use of a calculator and its symbols are essential in working out costs correctly.

You will need to know how much each recipe/dish is costing you.





If you are not sure, then practice is the key or inform your supervisor and ask for training.

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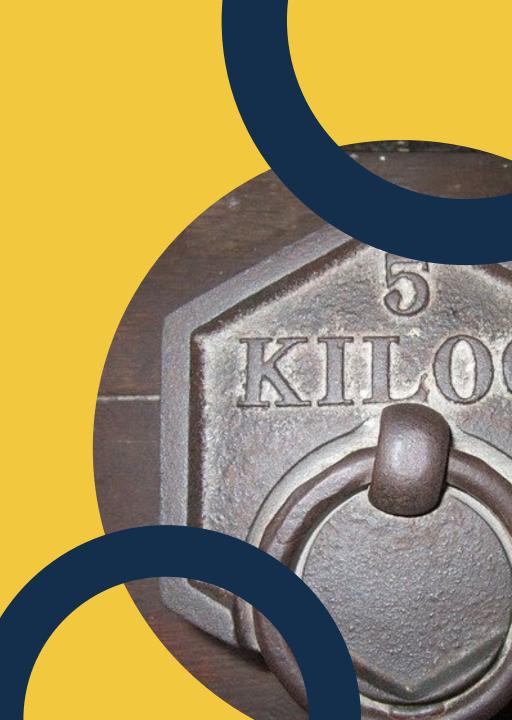
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- + Addition
- Subtraction
- / Dividing
- * Multiplication



Using metric measurements is the easiest way to work with weights and liquids.

Kilograms and grams for weights Litres and millilitres for liquids





Being able to convert imperial measurements into metric is an essential skill to have.

1 ounce = 28.34 grams 1 pint = 0.57 litres or 570 millilitres

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Using software

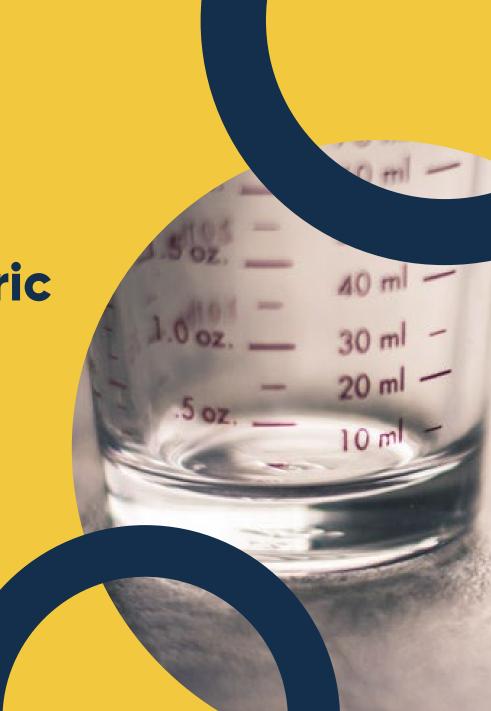
There are many cheap options available for simple kitchen costings.

Accountant and managers will use more sophisticated costing and accountancy software.



Convert your recipes to metric

To make costing easier, it is best to convert old recipes into metric. This makes calculations easier to understand.





Create recipe books

This ensures that all the recipes and portion sizes are standardised and costs can be closely monitored.





Create recipe books

All staff produce the same dish regardless of who is present at work.

The customer receives the same dish every time.



Costings

Costing can seem complicated and difficult to do.

Costings are serious but we can keep things simple for ourselves:

- Keep clean and tidy
- Follow food safety and health and safety rules
- Communicate problems with the team
- Enjoy your job



Revision Activity 6

Why use a recipe book?