



### Activity 10.9 WHAT IS HER NET WORTH?



On the Internet, look up the net worth of someone interesting to your students (e.g., a singer, athlete, or actor). Make up two to three assets and two to three debts, and ask your students to figure out her net worth. Then, with the students, look up the net worth of other people of their choice. Have them suggest possible assets and debts for that person. One clever way to do this is to have a net worth page filled out with two to three assets and two to three debts, but a smudge on the paper so that all students can see is the net worth (Stephan, 2009). This visual is particularly important for students with disabilities because they can see the missing value in a real situation.

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