

You're the Judge

Written Contracts



For each of the following cases, indicate whether the contract needs to be in writing and then state the legal principle or legal reason that applies to the facts of the case. **Your reasons should be two sentences in length.**

Does the K Need to Be in Writing?

1. Paul entered into an agreement with Fred to purchase a computer for \$450.
Does the K need to be in writing? Why or why not?
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2. John Q. agreed to purchase a house from J. Queue for \$100,000.
Does the K need to be in writing? Why?
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3. Mary was hired to babysit for the Johnson family for three weeks for \$400.
Does the K need to be in writing? Why?
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4. Jake wants to help out his son by paying off his loan for \$250.
Does the K need to be in writing? Why?
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5. Fran and Hal order a 24-month subscription to a magazine for \$45.
Does the K need to be in writing? Why?
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6. Grant agrees to buy a car from Juan for \$1,000.
Does the K need to be in writing? Why?
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For each of the following cases, indicate whether the contract is executed or executory and explain how you can tell. Then say what would happen if the contract was NOT in writing. **Once again, your reasons for each question should be two sentences in length.**

Is the K Executed or Executory?



7. Teddy places an order for a \$10 pizza from LaRosas for delivery.
Is the K Executed or Executory? How can you tell?

If the contract was NOT in writing, would it still be enforceable at this point? Why or why not?

8. Mike just finished mowing his neighbor's lawn for \$40 and was paid the money.
Is the K Executed or Executory? How can you tell?

If the contract was NOT in writing, would it still be enforceable at this point? Why or why not?

9. Mimi takes a break half-way through painting Harry's house for \$1,000.
Is the K Executed or Executory? How can you tell?

If the contract was NOT in writing, would it still be enforceable at this point? Why or why not?

10. Vinny receives the \$400 computer in the mail that he ordered from Dell.
Is the K Executed or Executory? How can you tell?

If the contract was NOT in writing, would it still be enforceable at this point? Why or why not?
