## Just a Little Extra

Shop owners can charge more money for premium milkshakes than they charge for plain milkshakes. This idea has a fancy name called **premiumization**. Premiumization is when a company makes a luxury, or fancy, version of their product. The company can sell the luxury version for more money.

Why do you think customers are willing to pay a little bit extra money for a premium product?

If the company is only charging a little bit more, do they really make much money? Let's take a look together.

McDonald's					
En		Chicken andwich \$1.79	Crispy Chic Sandwic \$3.79		Price Difference
How much money of McDonald's collect if the 100 McChicken sandwi	iey sell	McDonald's co	money will bllect if they sell en sandwiches?	What	is the price difference?





Starbucks							
	Pla	in Coffee \$2.25	White Choc Mocho \$4.90		Price Difference		
How much money will Starbucks collect if they sell 100 plain coffees?		How much money will Starbucks collect if they sell 100 white chocolate mochas?		What is the price difference?			

## thinkEntrepreneur

Offering a premium version of a menu item is smart business and can make a company a lot of money over time.

Imagine you were going to open a restaurant. Plan a standard version of your products and a premium version of your products.

Restaurant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Standard Item	Premium Item
Name:	Name:
Description	Description:
Price:	Price:
Price Difference:	Why would someone pay more?





## thinkBigger

When restaurants make a premium product to sell for money, they also spend more money for special ingredients. With your class you designed a premium milkshake.

Calculate how much it would cost to make your premium milkshake.

Basic Milkshake Cost	Premium Milkshake Cost		
Milk	Milk		
Ice Cream	Ice Cream		
Total Cost			
	Total Cost		

What is your gut reaction? Do you think it is worth it to see the premium milkshakes? Why or why not?

Look back at your original prices for a basic milkshake and a premium milkshake. Do you think you need to change your prices? Why or why not?

## **Discussion Questions:**

- What do you think customers might consider before deciding to buy a premium product instead of a plain one?
- Do you think it's fair for shop owners to charge more for premium items? Why or why not?
- Do you think premiumization is a good strategy for every type of product? Why or why not?
- Can you think of a time when you wanted the premium version of a product? What influenced your decision?



