# WHAT KIND OF *REMODEL* – IS RIGHT FOR YOU? –



**Ready to remodel?** There's more than one way to go about it. If you have a remodeling project in mind, but aren't sure where or how to start, this worksheet can help. Start by reading each question, and selecting the answer that best fits your project.

## HOW IT WORKS

As you read through the questions, choose which number best fits your remodeling project and add the number to the box. If none of the answers match your project, leave the box blank. At the end of the checklist, tally up the total number you've made, and read the assessment based on that number. Let's get started!

## WHAT REMODEL is right for you?

## WHY DO YOU WANT TO REMODEL?

- 1. Need to repair or replace items
- 2. Everything's out of date and needs a refresh
- 5. Preparing to stay for my golden years
- 4. I need more space
- 5. The existing floorplan needs to change

## WHAT TYPES OF CHANGES ARE YOU LOOKING TO MAKE?

- 1. Fix something that's broken and maybe a light refresh
- 2. 1-2 upgrades like flooring, countertops, siding, or cabinets
- 5. Need to make better use of our space
- 4. Need additional square footage, an addition
- $\it 5.$  Need to reconfigure and add on space

## WHAT REMODEL is right for you?

## DO YOU NEED TO IMPROVE MECHANICAL OR STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS LIKE THE ROOF, FURNACE, PLUMBING, OR ELECTRICAL?

- 1. Nope, everything is in good shape
- 2. New furnace, A/C, roof or siding is needed
- 5. Reconfigure some plumbing & electric, upgrade insulation
- 4. Walls with electric, plumbing, or vents need to be moved or removed
- $\mathcal{J}$ . It needs just about everything

#### WHAT IS YOUR PROJECT TIMELINE?

- *1.* I need it done yesterday
- 2. Hoping to have everything complete in 3-4 months
- 3. Sooner is better, but no real urgency
- 4. No rush, just want it done right
- 5. Thinking we're still 6+ months away from construction

# HOW INVOLVED DO YOU WANT TO BE IN THE REMODELING PROCESS?

- 1. I want to do a lot of the work myself. In fact, I've already started the demo
- 2. I'd like to do the demo myself, but want someone else do the rest
- 5. I like the idea of getting my hands dirty, but don't have much experience
- 4. I'd like to share my input on design and style, but not do any construction
- $\mathcal{J}_{\cdot}$  I'll tell you what I like but I'm excited to see what you create

#### DO YOU HAVE A VISION?

- 1. Yep, complete with my own drawings
- 2. Pretty good idea, with photos of what I like
- 5. Don't have the details worked out, but I know what I want
- 4. I have a general sense of what I like, but welcome advice
- 5. I'm looking for guidance on construction options and design

## WHAT REMODEL is right for you?

# WOULD YOU CLASSIFY THIS PROJECT AS MORE OF A NEED OR A WANT?

- 1. Need Wish I didn't have to do it, but can't wait any longer
- 2. Nothing is urgent or broken yet, but my days are numbered
- 5. This project's a good idea, the house will be better for it
- 4. Prompted by a need, but I've been thinking about this for a while
- $\mathcal{J}$ . I've been dreaming about this project for a long time

#### WHAT IS YOUR LONG-TERM GOAL FOR THIS REMODEL?

- 1. There isn't one, I need to fix something that's broken
- 2. I'd like an updated, refreshed look for my home
- *3.* I want to boost the value of my home
- 4. To build this house into a home I can grow old in
- *5.* To suit my growing family for years to come

## TOTAL SCORE

## RESULTS

Next, add together your points from each question to get a total score.

For example, if you circled all 5s, your total score would be 40.

If you circled 1 on three questions and 2 on five questions, your total score would be 13.

Find the response that matches your total score below to see what type of remodel we would recommend for your specific project.

#### 8-20

The scope of your project and your timeline are probably best addressed with a few individual tradespeople or with the help of a general contractor. They will be able to help you make repairs and updates quickly and according to your detailed vision.

#### 21-30

You may be able to complete your remodel with just a contractor or a specialist, especially if you have a clear direction and vision for your project. If you're not quite sure what you're looking for, you might benefit from some design assistance.

#### 31-40

It sounds like you're looking for a more extensive remodeling project. The assistance of a design build firm will probably be necessary to achieve the large-scale improvements you're looking for, in a way that best suits you in the long term.

## CONTACT US



If you are ready to remodel, we are here to help. Meadowlark Design + Build is a nationally recognized home remodeling contractor and top Ann Arbor home builder for custom homes, green building, architecture, and design. Reach out to tell us about your project, and one of our dedicated team members will be happy to get started on making your dream remodel a reality.



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