

Rank Your Priorities

If you're still undecided, make a wish list of the characteristics you'd like in your new home. Then rank each item from most to least important. This exercise can help you determine your "must-have" features—and which ones you may need to sacrifice or delay. Here's a sample to help you get started:

#	FEATURE
	Dedicated home office
	Extra bedroom
	Pool
	Walk to the beach
	Big backyard
	Close to friends and family
	Short commute to the office
	Investment potential