Economic Time Capsule

You have the opportunity to document history. Your goal is to create a time capsule for 8th graders twenty years from now. Yes, what you create will be stored in our school’s archives (file cabinet) for 8th graders twenty years in the future. You will work in groups, and your time capsule information must fit in an 8½” x 11” envelope for storage reasons.

Your time capsule must include the following components:

1. Every group member must write a letter to the future 8th grader about our current economic times. You must include information about the overall state of our economy and how you are or are not affected by the economy. You need to include at least five economic terms from our word wall.

2. You must include one political cartoon in your time capsule about the economy. You can either find one in the newspaper or draw your own. Also, write a paragraph explaining the cartoon.

3. You need to cut out advertisements that include the price of common things you buy.

4. Your choice: You must include in your time capsule one other item that fits in your envelope to represent our economic times.