

Kid Scoop

THE AWARD-WINNING PRINT & ONLINE FAMILY FEATURE



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Thrifty & Fritter™ in

Saving Money

The Big Plan

Fritter is trying to save \$10 per month so that he can have enough money next summer to go to the Six Wags Amusement Park

Fritter has been putting the money he is earning into a savings account which earns him money called **interest!**

Family Talk

Talk with your family about times you've had to all save money to do something or get something. Talk about spending mistakes that have been made and what was learned from them.

Thrifty, I'm doing really **GREAT** at saving my money!

I **knew** you could do it, Fritter! It's exciting just watching your money grow and grow and **grow**, isn't it?

Grow? How do you make dollars larger? Gee, all my money is still the same size as regular money.

Uhhh, forget I said anything and just keep saving, Fritter!

It All Starts Adding Up!

When Fritter puts money into his savings account, that is called a **deposit**. When he takes money out of his savings account, that is called a **withdrawal**.

For example, looking at his savings account book, you can see that Fritter deposited \$5.00 that he earned doing chores on October 15. You can also see that he made a withdrawal of \$7.00 on October 18.

Did Fritter reach his goal of saving \$10 per month? Ask a parent to help you fill in the missing balances to see how much money is in Fritter's account.

Account # 1013982 Fritter T. Fetchham			
DATE	WITHDRAWALS	DEPOSITS	BALANCE
10/1/16		\$12.00	\$12.00
10/15/16		\$5.00	\$17.00
10/18/16	\$7.00		\$10.00
10/31/16		.50	\$10.50
11/1/16		\$8.00	\$18.50
11/8/16		\$4.00	
11/9/16		\$3.00	
11/13/16	\$2.00		
11/30/16		.12	

DEPOSIT RECORD



Put this coin in the piggy bank.

Watch Your Spending

Look at what Fritter spent money on this week. Is there anything you think he could have done without? How much money would he have saved if he didn't buy two or more things on the list?

ADMIT ONE movie ticket: \$9.00

large popcorn: \$6.50

oranges: \$1.99

5 puppy pops: \$12

toothbrush: \$2.50

2 comic books: \$4.00

socks: \$3.50

2 packets of candy: \$6.00

Newspaper Scavenger Hunt

- Find these things in today's newspaper:
- a numeral over 1,000
 - a numeral between 10 and 100
 - a telephone number
 - an address
 - a zip code
 - an age
- Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Kid Scoop Together Savings Plans

Work with a family member to come up with solutions to these challenges.

Sticky Problem

Evan collects stickers from the grocery store vending machine. Each one costs 50¢. He buys one each time his family shops, which is usually three times a week.

Evan earns \$3.00 a week pulling weeds in his neighbor's yard, so he spends half of his money each week on stickers and saves the rest in his piggy bank.

This week, the grocery store replaced the old sticker machine with a brand new one. The stickers are bigger, but they cost \$1.00 each. If he buys three, he'll spend all his money every week.

Q: What should Evan do to keep saving some money each week?

A: _____

Bike Lane Pain

Maria walks and feeds her Aunt Meredith's dog, Zinger, every day after school. Maria gets \$2.00 per day for taking such good care of Zinger.

Maria wants a new bike that costs \$75. If she saved all her money each week, she could buy the bike in about two months. But Maria downloads music from her favorite bands at \$1.30 per song a couple times a week. She also buys a smoothie for \$3.95 on Saturdays with her friend Katie. Sometimes they go to a movie, which costs \$7.00 per ticket.

Q: What advice would you give Maria about how to reach her goal of buying that new bike?

A: _____

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Circle every other letter to discover a very easy way you can help your family save some money every month.

RANLWTKYJSVTYUMRBNRIS
NTGUOMFJFVTSNHEHPFGS
HMTNSGWKHBESNHYXOBUCLZE
NAMVPEKTJHPEBRHOTOIMDRYEH
AJLMLPYTSVAMVGETSHYNORUT
RBFJATMWIRLDYGMSOBNTEGY

ALW

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

WITHDRAWAL INTEREST BALANCES MISTAKES DEPOSIT ACCOUNT SAVINGS CHORES PARENT MONEY MONTH PLAN BANK BOOK PAYS

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

S	A	M	I	S	T	A	K	E	S
H	Y	P	A	R	E	N	T	V	G
T	S	E	R	E	T	N	I	D	N
N	B	A	N	K	U	A	P	E	I
O	I	K	O	O	B	L	A	P	V
M	N	G	C	L	M	P	Y	O	A
L	A	C	H	O	R	E	S	S	S
L	A	W	A	R	D	H	T	I	W
B	A	L	A	N	C	E	S	T	N

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **ACCOUNT**

The noun **account** means a record of money received and money paid out.

I had saved money in my account after doing chores.

Try to use the word **account** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Small to Large

Find six amounts of money in today's paper. Look at the advertisements and news articles, too. Cut them out and glue them onto a piece of paper from smallest value to largest value.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

How can you instantly double your money?

ANSWER: Look at it in a mirror.

Write On! Exaggerate!

Think of your best exaggeration. For example: *Our Thanksgiving turkey was so big that we couldn't fit it through the door.*