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MONEY MATTERS

What to do?

Each of these kids need some advice from **YOU**. Read each story and write down your advice. Talk about your advice with a parent. Do they agree with you?



Savings Shortage

David is trying to save money to buy a new LEGO set that costs \$29.00. Each Friday, he gets an allowance of \$5.00 from his mom and dad.

David tries to save at least \$3.00 every week. He spends about \$2.00 when he visits the video arcade on Sunday afternoons. But sometimes he'll spend more than he planned to trying to top his best score.

Last Sunday, he spent \$8.50, which ate into his LEGO savings. Now he only has about \$4.00 saved up for the LEGO set.

Q: What can David do to save the \$29.00 faster?

A: _____



Kid Scoop Together: Cause and Effect

Understanding cause and effect helps improve problem-solving skills. Read the stories about Evan, David and Maria. Find a **cause** and an **effect** in each story. We have done one for you.

EVAN

CAUSE:
The cost of Evan's stickers has gone up.

EFFECT:
He can't save any money if he buys the usual amount.

Can you find each sticker's exact twin?



Sticky Problem

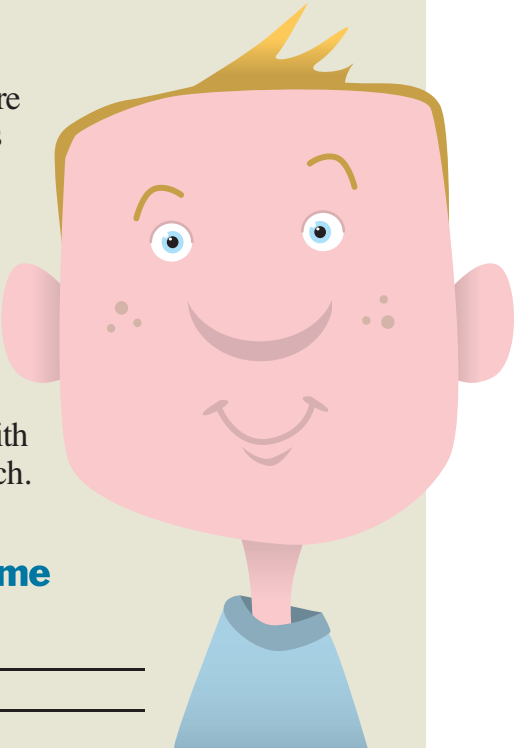
Evan collects stickers from the grocery store vending machine. Each costs 50¢. He buys one each time his family shops, which is usually three times a week.

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.

The grocery store just replaced the old sticker machine with a 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: _____





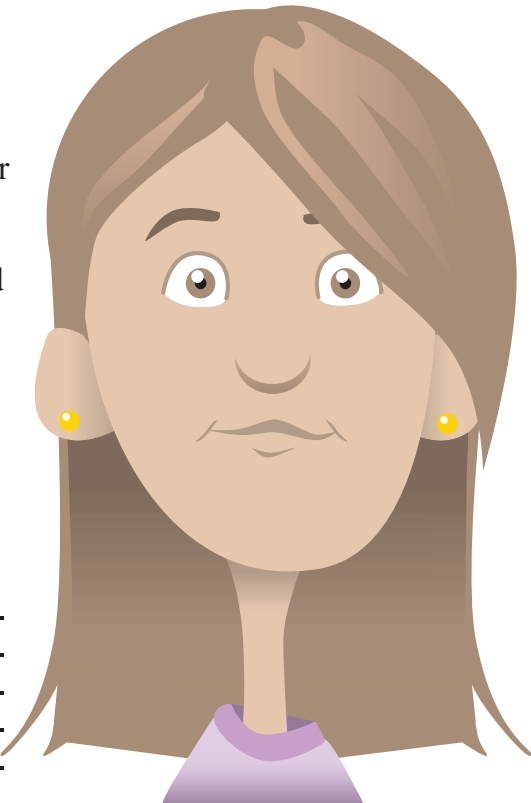
Bike Lane Pain

Maria walks and feeds her Aunt Meridith'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: _____



Extra! Extra!

The Bucks Add Up!

Look through the newspaper for prices. Can you find five or more prices, that when added together equal \$100? Now try to find prices in the newspaper that add up to \$1,000. What's the largest amount you can reach?

Standards Link: Math: Compute sums up to 1,000.

DAVID

CAUSE:

EFFECT:

MARIA

CAUSE:

EFFECT:

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Mario and Maya are selling their toys at a yard sale to raise money for their local fire department. Oops! Someone dripped lemonade on the sales slips. Can you fill in the missing numbers?

Blocks \$1.3	Golf Ball	Bat \$
Puppet 5	Postcard .05	Paints \$
Book .30	Puzzle .70	Clay \$2.00
Total: \$2.41	Total: .85	Total: \$9.00

TOTAL RAISED: _____

Standards Link: Number Sense: Students compute sums and differences with money. Algebra: Solve number sentences that express relationships involving addition and subtraction.

Double Double Word Search

ALLOWANCE
GROCERY
PROBLEM
FASTER
COUPLE
ARCADE
MUSIC
EARNS
EQUAL
MONEY
SCORE
COST
PAIN
GOAL
BIKE

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

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

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



Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
REPLACE

The verb **replace** means to put something new in place of something else.

The mechanic was able to **replace** our cracked windshield with a new one.

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



FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

New and Used

Find five items for sale in the newspaper. Chart the items and their prices. Can you find the same items for sale used? What is the difference in price? What are the advantages/disadvantages of buying new vs. used?

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate



When does it rain money?

ANSWER: When there is change in the weather.



Write On! My Savings Story

Write about something you'd like to buy. Why do you want it? Then write about your plan to save money to buy it.

BLACK
YELLOW
MAGENTA
CYAN