



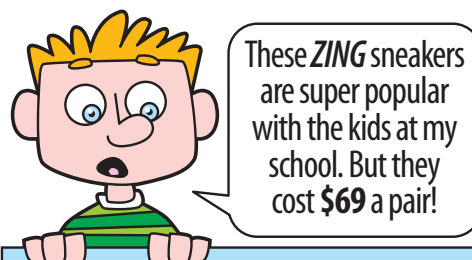
Kid Scoop



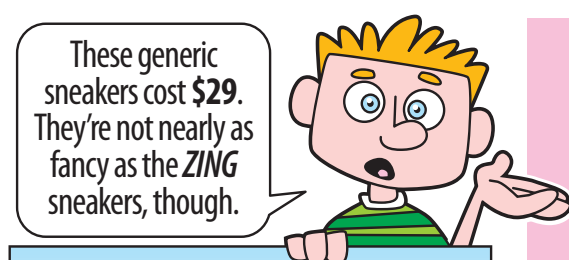
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The Cost of a Decision

These kids are facing a decision to make about spending money. What would you do?



These **ZING** sneakers are super popular with the kids at my school. But they cost **\$69** a pair!

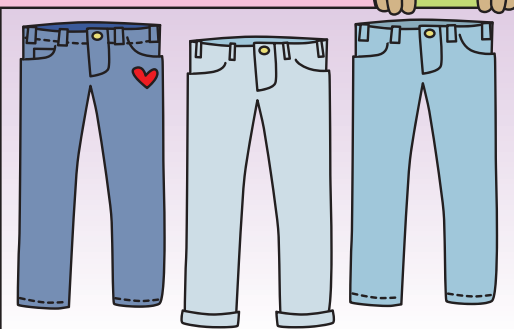


These generic sneakers cost **\$29**. They're not nearly as fancy as the **ZING** sneakers, though.



Which pair of sneakers should Kevin choose? Give at least three reasons to explain your choice.

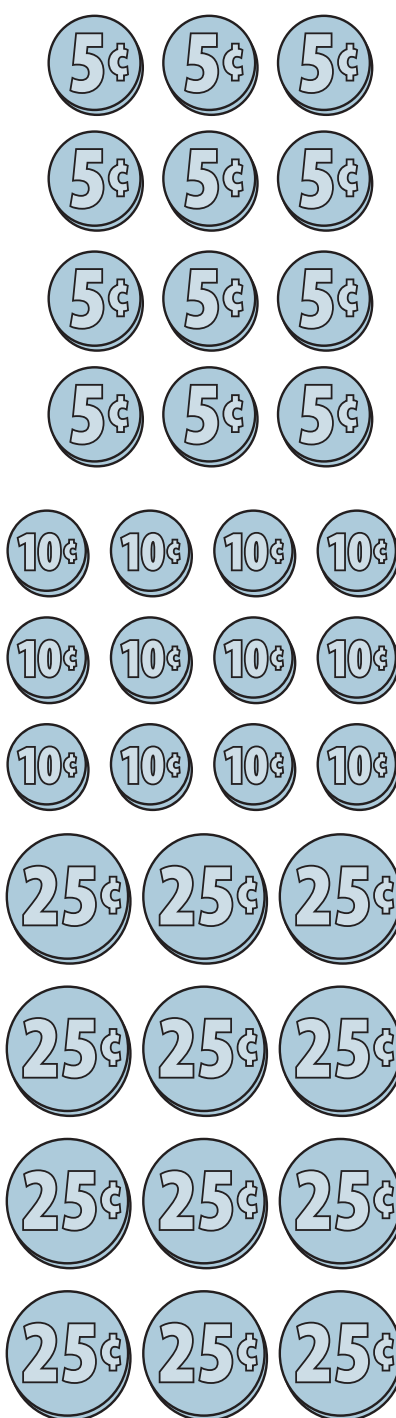
A lot of young movie stars wear the jeans at left. They are **\$80**. The generic ones in the middle are **\$30**. And the used pair at right is **\$8** at the thrift store.



Which pair of jeans should Emma choose? Give at least two reasons for your choice.

Kid Scoop Together Change Maker

With a **BLUE** crayon, circle the coins that add up to the amount shown on the top coin purse. Then, use a **RED** crayon to circle the coins that add up to the amount shown on the bottom coin purse. Have a family member check your work. You should have **5¢** left over if you circled the correct coins.



Standards Link: Math: Add money amounts.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **GENERIC**
The adjective **generic** means not specific or limited to any brand name.

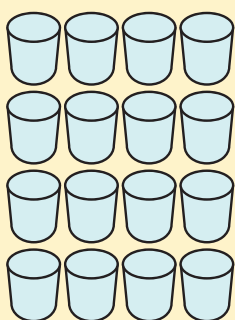
Flu is sometimes used as a **generic** term for an illness caused by a virus.

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

Which is the best deal? The small can of fruit juice or the 64 ounce size?



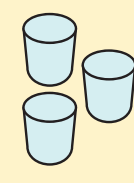
BOTTLE: \$3.50



The 64 ounce bottle contains 16 4 ounce cups of juice. The 12 ounce can contains three 4 ounce cups of juice.



CAN: \$1.25



Can you add up all the coins you see on this page?

Game Night!
Can you come up with a family fun game night that costs \$0?

Extra! Extra!

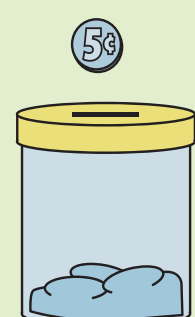
It All Adds Up
Find four 4-digit numbers in the newspaper. Copy the numbers onto a piece of paper and add them together. Repeat with 5-digit and 6-digit numbers.

Standards Link: Math: Addition.

MONEY PUZZLES

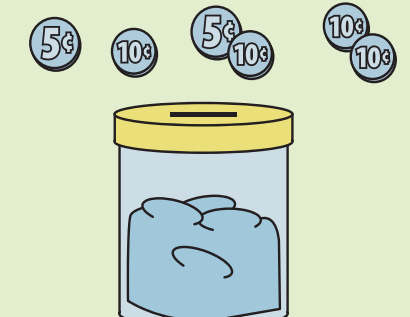
PUZZLE 1

How much money would you save if you put a nickel in a jar every day for a year?



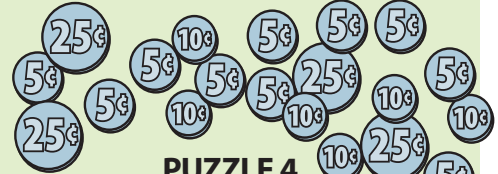
PUZZLE 2

How much money would you save in four weeks if you saved 5¢ a day the first week, 10¢ a day the second week, 15¢ a day the third week and 20¢ a day the fourth week?



PUZZLE 3

How much money would you save using the plan in Puzzle 2 and kept increasing the savings amount by 5¢ each week for 12 weeks?



PUZZLE 4

How much money would you save using the plan in Puzzle 3 and kept increasing the savings amount by 5¢ each week for 26 weeks?

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Newspaper coupons are a great way to save money. Circle the coupon that offers the best deal on each product.

Price: \$4.50
PURPLE PEPPERMINT FOAMING TOOTHPASTE
\$1.00 OFF

Price: \$2.70
DOGGIE TREAT
BUY ONE GET ONE FREE!

Price: \$1.75
SUBSY SOAP
50¢ OFF

PURPLE PEPPERMINT FOAMING TOOTHPASTE
SAVE 50%

DOGGIE TREAT
\$1.50 OFF

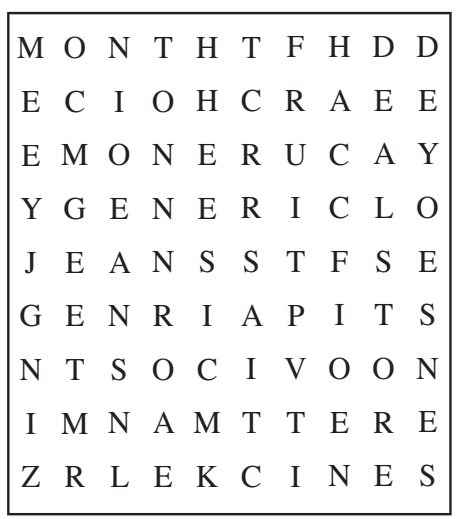
SUBSY SOAP
SAVE 50%

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Calculate sums and differences.

Double Double Word Search

- DECISION
- GENERIC
- THRIFT
- CHOICE
- NICKEL
- MONEY
- STORE
- JEANS
- FRUIT
- MONTH
- SAVE
- DEAL
- ZING
- PAIR
- COST

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Best Food Deal
Use the grocery store ads to compare the cost of different food items. Find two or more of the same food items sold in different quantities. Figure out which is the best deal.

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

What did the bird say when she found a sweater for just one dollar?

ANSWER: "Cheap! Cheap!"

Write On! Free Gifts

Make a list of free birthday gifts you could offer family members that wouldn't cost you any money.

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