

“Save for a rainy day” is an idiom. An idiom is a phrase that doesn’t literally mean what it says. Work with a parent to write the number of each idiom’s definition in the circles.

Idioms

- Back to the drawing board
- Missed the boat
- Fit as a fiddle
- Costs an arm and a leg
- Wild goose chase
- Once in a blue moon
- By the skin of your teeth
- Piece of cake

Definitions

1. In good health
2. Just barely achieving
3. Starting over
4. Something very expensive
5. A task that’s easy to do
6. Lost an opportunity
7. A rare occurrence
8. A pointless activity

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Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week’s word: **EXPENSE**

The noun **expense** means a cost, an amount to be spent.

The added **expense** of snacks at the amusement park was something I forgot to plan on before the trip.

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

Save for a Rainy Day!

Save for a rainy day is a phrase that reminds people to save money when times are good so they have money to use when there is a big expense, or the ability to earn money stops.

Most people save for a rainy day by putting a little money aside each week, or each month. They put these “savings” into a bank account or a piggy bank or even a jar.

Why have a rainy-day fund?

Tomas’ parents gave him \$2 every week for allowance. But when the pandemic caused his father’s company to close for a few months, his dad could no longer give Tomas an allowance.

Tomas had been putting 50¢ of his weekly allowance into a **Rainy-Day Fund jar** for a year. That totaled \$26. So even though he wasn’t getting an allowance, Tomas still had some money if he needed it.

When his dad’s company opened back up, Tomas started getting his allowance again. But this time, he started adding 75¢ to his rainy day jar every week.

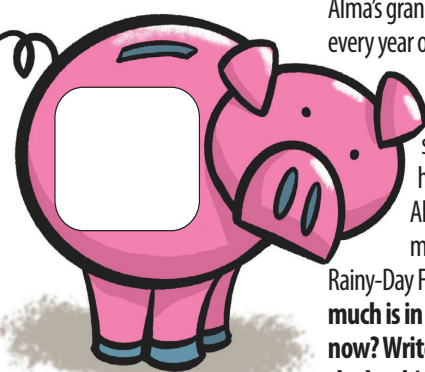


By saving 75¢ each week, how much will be in Tomas’ jar after one year?

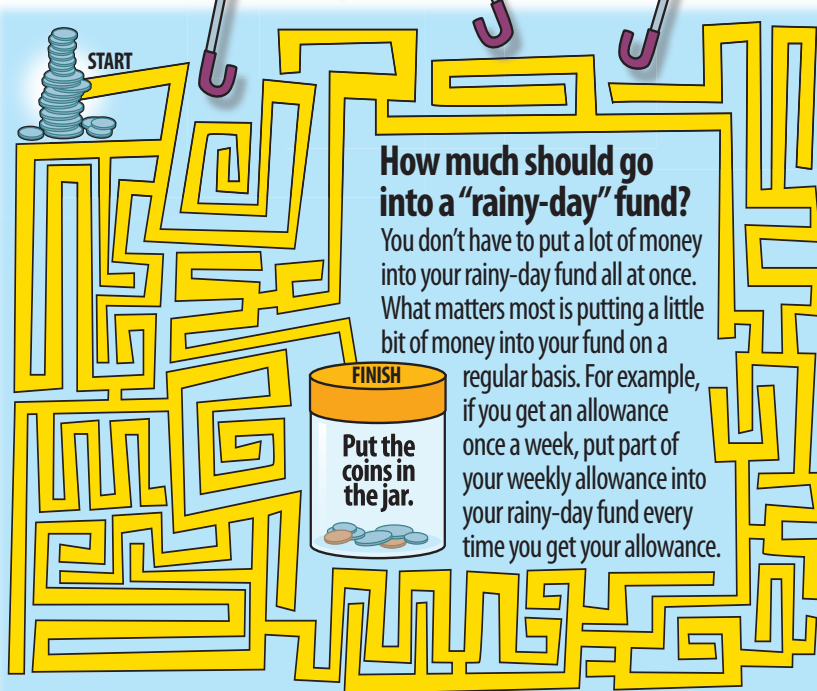


Can you draw lines to connect each umbrella’s twin?

How much is in Alma’s bank?



Alma’s grandmother sends her \$25 every year on her birthday. Alma is 11 years old, and her grandmother started sending the money to her on her 5th birthday. Alma saved half of the money each year in her Rainy-Day Fund piggy bank. **How much is in Alma’s piggy bank now? Write the amount on the bank’s label.**



How much should go into a “rainy-day” fund?

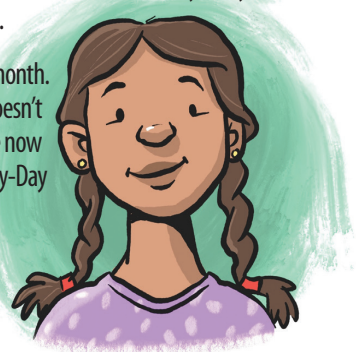
You don’t have to put a lot of money into your rainy-day fund all at once. What matters most is putting a little bit of money into your fund on a regular basis. For example, if you get an allowance once a week, put part of your weekly allowance into your rainy-day fund every time you get your allowance.

Martina’s Money Mistakes

Martina earned \$5.00 each week watering and weeding her neighbor’s garden. Unfortunately, Martina spent almost all of that money every week building up her sticker collection.

Martina’s neighbor moved away last month. Martina’s bike got a flat tire and she doesn’t have the money to get it replaced. She now wishes she had saved money in a Rainy-Day Fund jar like her cousin Tomas.

Can you think of a time when you could have used a Rainy-Day Fund jar of your own?



My Rainy-Day Fund Pledge

NAME: _____

I will put _____ into my rainy-day fund each week. This money will come from:

- Allowance
- A weekly chore
- A weekly job
- Other _____

Extra! Extra! Expanded Numbers

Look through the newspaper for five 4-digit numbers. Rewrite each one in an expanded form using words instead of digits.

For example:

4,1862
Four thousand eight hundred sixty-two.

Standards Link: Math: Write out number amounts.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Coin Count

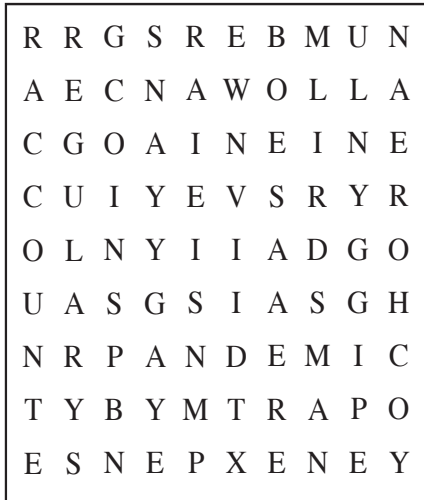
Kevin puts 50¢ into his Rainy-Day Fund each week. Amy puts 75¢ into her Rainy-Day Fund each week. Circle the coins that add up to 50¢ in orange. Circle the coins that add up to 75¢ in blue. Each coin can only be used once.



Double Double Word Search

- ALLOWANCE
- PANDEMIC
- REGULAR
- NUMBERS
- EXPENSE
- ACCOUNT
- SAVING
- RAINY
- MONEY
- CHORE
- COINS
- PIGGY
- BASIS
- GIVE
- PART

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



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

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Describe Dollars

Look through the newspaper for words that can be used to describe money. How many can you find? Now have a parent try. Try to use as many as you can in one long sentence.

Standards Link: Vocabulary Development: Identify adjectives.



What goes up when the rain comes down?

ANSWER: An umbrella.

Write On!

How I Earn Money

How do you earn money? Do you do chores? What kind of jobs do you do?

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