

## Sample Monthly Budget for Kids

## What is a Budget?

A Budget is a list that helps you remember how much money you have to buy things.

### It is easy to make a Budget!

- 1. Write down the money that you get
- 2. Write down the money that you spend when you buy things.

#### Here is how it works:

If your parents give you \$2 a week for allowance, then your "Income" (or Money) is \$2.

If you want to buy a toy that costs \$6, then you know you won't have enough money yet. You only have \$2 now.

So you have to earn 4 more dollars to buy the toy.

- \$6 Toy \$2 "Income" (Money)
- = \$4 Still Needed to Buy the Toy.

If you save your allowance for three weeks, then you can buy the toy!

- \$2 Week 1 Allowance
- + \$2 Week 2 Allowance
- + \$2 Week 3 Allowance
- = \$6 Total "Income" (Money)

If you save your money for three weeks, you will have enough money to buy the toy!

Use the sample budget on the next page to practice making a budget. Ask your parents for help!



## Sample Weekly Budget for Kids

Money	How Much Money Do I Have?	How I Got the Money
Allowance	\$2.00	\$2 a week for helping Mom & Dad
Birthday Money	\$5.00	\$5 from Grandma in my birthday card
Other Money	50 Cents	I found two quarters in the sofa!
All Of My Money Together	\$7.50	All my money added up
Things I Want to Buy	How Much Does It Cost?	Why I Want To Buy It
New Toy	\$6	I saw it at the toy store and I like it!
Birthday Gift for Mom	\$4	Mom will like the pretty ring!
(Ring)		
Candy Bar	60 Cents	Buy a Candy bar at School
What it All Costs	\$10.60	Everything I want to buy together
Do I have enough money?	-\$3.10	Oops! I don't have enough money yet!
(Money – Cost)		I still need \$3.10.

# Make Your Own Weekly Budget Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Money	How Much Money Do I Have?	How I Got the Money
Allowance	\$	
Birthday Money	\$	
Other Money	\$	
All Of My Money Together	\$	
Things I Want to Buy	How Much Does It Cost?	Why I Want To Buy It
1.	\$	
2.	\$	
3.	\$	
What it All Costs	\$	
Do I have enough money?	\$	
(Money – Cost)		