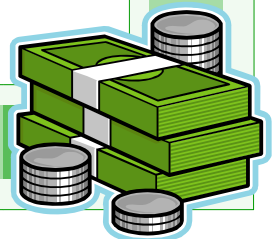






## Stretch Your Dollar: "CHAMP'S CENTS SAVVY"

- \$ Borrow a movie from the library or rent one from the video store instead of going to see a movie as soon as it premieres or appears. This requires less money and travel. Make your own snacks too!
- \$ Check-out a book, book-on-tape or CD at the library for free instead of purchasing it at the store. Some libraries will place your name on a waiting list for new and popular items. Remember to bring library items back on time to prevent late fees!
- \$ Have your friends bring their favorite food or snack instead of going out to eat or ordering take-out. It will be fun because everyone will bring something they like to make, and there will be a great mix of foods.
- \$ Organize games you can play indoors and outdoors with your friends.
- \$ Trade or share appropriate games and books with family and friends.
- \$ Look for coupons and discounts for amusement parks, miniature golf, clothing stores, and other places that you like to go.
- \$ Make presents, wrapping paper and cards. Your friends and family will appreciate a handmade gift, like a piece of jewelry or a picture in a homemade frame. They will enjoy the gift rather than a store-bought present. It shows you care about them!
- \$ Try shopping for back-to-school clothes and supplies during tax-free week if it is offered in your area. You could help save your parents and yourself money.





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- \$ Share clothes with family members to increase each other's wardrobes.
  - \$ Go to a thrift shop where you can get cool things at reasonable prices.
  - \$ Don't buy the first thing you see. Compare prices in different stores.
  - \$ Make a wish list of the things you really would like and need to buy. Be careful not to buy things you don't need, and you will be able to purchase the items on your wish list.
  - \$ Check with family, friends and neighbors if they have any small tasks you can do, like washing a car, mowing a lawn or dog walking to earn extra money.
  - \$ Hold a bake sale or create a lemonade stand with friends to earn money and enjoy yourself.
  - \$ Recycle your family's bottles and cans at the supermarket for five cents a piece. The money will add up and you are doing something great for the environment.
  - \$ Ask your parents if you can open your own savings account at the bank. Not only will your money be safe, but with interest, your savings will grow!



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