

Ways to save plan:

Using the example shown below as a guide, fill in the circles with the items that you spend your pocket money on. You could use this as a way to save money for something special.

Example:

If the item I spend 60p a day on is sweets, it would cost me (£4.20) per week.

If I only buy sweets for 4 days a week (£2.40) I will save £2.00 per week.

Item:

Sweets

Weekly spend:

£4.20

What I would change

I will buy sweets for 4 days

I could save:

£2.00

What I want to do with the money I save:

Item:

Weekly spend:

£.....

What I would change

I could save:

Item:

Weekly spend:

£.....

What I would change

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I could save:

Item:

Weekly spend:

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What I would change

I could save:

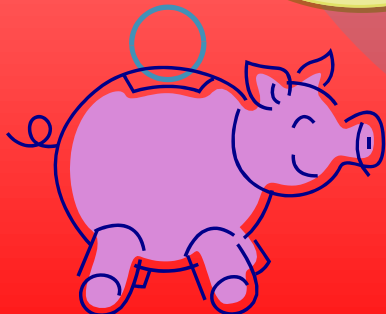
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What I would change

I could save:



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Pocket Money Matters

This leaflet is designed to help you and your carer understand the Pocket Money allowance you are entitled too.



Pocket Money

You will get regular pocket money paid to you by your carer. How you get this will usually depend on how old you are and how sensible you are with money.

This is how much you should get dependent on age:

Age	Amount
5	£1.00
6	£1.50
7	£2.00
8	£2.50
9	£3.00
10	£3.50
11	£5.27
12	£5.58
13-14	£6.15
15	£7.27
16+	£9.07



You can spend your pocket money on things you like such as toys, sweets, magazines, music, downloads etc. If you spend carefully you may have a little left over each week to save towards specific items, events or activities.

You could ask your carer to take you along to the bank or building society to open an account for you to save some of your pocket money for those extra special things that you would like to buy.

Managing your money

Pocket money can be withheld for a while or only spent when you are with your carer if you have not used it properly, such as buying too many sweets, cigarettes or alcohol, or if your carer and social worker feel that you are struggling to manage your money safely.

Top Tips Ways to save money

- Do you really need to catch a bus today? Commit to walking everywhere you can for a month or two—you'll get fit too!
- Instead of buying a new game or DVD, how about swapping one of yours with your friend for you to play/watch. You can even loan them free from the library!
- Don't spend money on expensive birthday or Christmas presents, make your own its fun! Friends and family will appreciate them much more.
- If you stopped buying a can of fizzy drink (65p) everyday then in three weeks you could buy a top title DVD (£13.65)

