## New year's Resolutions to Make you Even More Awesome Than Last year

The new year is a great time to try something new and create some positive habits. Consider these ideas as you start brainstorming more of your own.

• Learn a new vocabulary word each day. Get started with some financial terms like savings account, deposit, credit union, and finances.



- Try one new food each week. Whether it is a new fruit or vegetable or a new main course your parent or guardian prepares, trying new foods is fun!
- Decrease screen time. Replace screen time with reading or an activity that gets your body moving.
- Be helpful at home. Pitching in with household chores and cleaning up after yourself help your home stay organized and clean.
- Be polite. Make it a point to say "please" and "thank you" often.
- Express gratitude. Thank a parent or caregiver when they make you feel loved or tell a friend what you like most about them.

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# 2024 Is your year to Save!

Whether you're already an expert saver or you think saving money is tough, we've got a few simple tips to help you be a better saver in 2024.

- Divide your piggy bank into three separate banks: a Save bank, a Spend bank, and a Give bank. Your "banks" can be old jars, boxes, or containers. Each bank name will represent the way you spend the money inside that bank.
- Save before you spend. As soon as you earn money or receive money as a gift, have a parent or guardian help you divide it and put it in your three banks.
- Set a long-term savings goal. If there's a large-ticket item you've been wanting to buy, like a bike or a game, write it down on a piece of paper and figure out how much money you'll need to save each month in order to buy it.
- Keep a money diary. Every time you spend money, keep track of it in a notebook by writing down (or drawing a picture of) what you bought and how much it cost. Your money diary will help you understand where you spend most of your money.

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## Fun Facts About Groundhog Day

- Groundhog Day is on February 2 of every year.
- According to legend, when the groundhog comes out of his burrow on February 2 and does not see his shadow, then spring will come early.



- If the groundhog sees his shadow, then there will be six more weeks of winter.
- When the tradition of Groundhog Day first started, it was not a groundhog that made the prediction, it was a badger!
- The largest Groundhog Day celebration is held in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.





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#### Winners of the *Kids Club* Fall Coloring Contest

We drew random entries to choose the members who would receive a \$10 deposit to their <u>Kids</u> <u>Savings accounts</u>. Congratulations to the winners!

Mary M. Age 2 Drew M. Age 5

Wade T. Age 5

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Color this image and send your artwork to us. You'll automatically be entered into a drawing for a \$10 deposit to your <u>Kids Savings account</u> and have your name appear in the next newsletter!



#### DEADLINE: February 29, 2024

Mail your entry to: South Carolina Federal Credit Union *Kids Club*, Winter Coloring Contest P.O. Box 190012 N. Charleston, SC 29419-9012

Name

Birthdate (Month/Day/Year)