

SAVING FOR A SCOOTER



Bella hugged her grandad. “Wow, thirty dollars,” she said. “Thanks!”

“What a great Christmas present,” said Bella’s mum. “Now you’ve got enough to buy that scooter you’ve been saving for.”

But Bella wasn’t listening. And the next day, when she was at the mall with her Auntie Joan, she spent the money on a new dress.

That night she remembered the scooter. Suddenly she felt sad – she wanted the scooter much more than the dress.

“Never mind,” said Dad. “If you save half your pocket money every week, you’ll have enough for the scooter in three months. That can be your goal.”

“Okay,” said Bella.

“I’ll make sure I put that in my piggy bank every week.” And she smiled, as she imagined herself scooting to school with her friends.



Making goals for the future

When we want something, it's a good idea to set a goal and to work out a way of reaching the goal.

1. Bella gets \$4.00 pocket money every week, and she plans to save half of it. How many weeks will it take to save \$30 for the scooter? How could she get to her goal more quickly?
2. As a family, brainstorm how someone could achieve the following goals. What steps would be involved?

Get into the school football team



Start a club at school



Make dinner for the family



Join a music group



3. Choose a goal for yourself. It could be to buy something, to get better at something, or to help out more at home or school.

What will you do to reach your goal?

- Write down your goal at the top of a piece of paper.
- Draw a flowchart with the steps you'll need to follow to reach your goal.
- Share your goal and how you plan to reach it.

