



CHAPTER FOUR

GETTING STARTED WITH A BUDGET

Children's Activity

Imagine that your friend's birthday is coming, and you want to throw them a surprise party. You talked to their parents, and they think it is a great idea! You saved \$30 dollars to decorate, buy food, and plan fun activities. Look at the party menu below to see what choices you have and how much they will cost. Can you plan the best party ever for less than \$30?

Decorations	Cost	Amount Spent
Helium balloons	\$5.00	
Streamers	\$2.00	
Homemade Happy Birthday banner	Free	
Plates and cups in your friend's favorite color	\$8.00	
Regular plates and cups from your house	Free	
Photo booth props	\$8.00	
Food		
Fancy cake from a bakery	\$20.00	
Homemade cake	\$6.00	
Cookies	\$2.00	
Soda	\$4.00	
Lemonade	\$1.00	
Pizza	\$10.00	
Entertainment		
New board game	\$12.00	
Freeze tag	Free	
Water balloon fight	\$8.00	
Dance contest	Free	
Silly string	\$4.00	
DVD of your friend's favorite movie	\$7.00	
Total		