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George spends too much money. Read the article below and match the tips 1-9 to his problems below. Sometimes more than one tip can help him.



1. "I spend too much money on food." 8
2. "I spend too much money on clothes." _____
3. "I always break things at home. It costs a lot of money to fix them." _____
4. "The cost of using a car is very high in my country." _____
5. "Sometimes I don't have enough money to pay the rent because I go out too often." _____
6. "I always buy things that I don't need." _____

HOW TO SAVE MONEY

Everyone wants to save money. So here are our special tips.

1. Turn off the TV. This has a number of benefits. When you don't watch TV, you don't watch ads and you spend less money on shopping. You can also reduce your electricity bill and focus on other things in life.
2. Wait 30 days before you buy something expensive. Very often, people buy things that they think are necessary, but after one month, they feel bad about their decision. So waiting 30 days will give you time to decide if it is really important.
3. Invite friends to your home. Going out to eat or drink can be expensive. It's always cheaper to stay at home with friends and make your own entertainment.
4. Repair your clothes. Don't throw away a shirt because it has a broken button. Don't be lazy. You can repair it very easily and save money.
5. Drink more water. Drinking water has health and financial benefits. Drinking a glass of water before each meal helps you feel fuller and eat less. You also spend less money on more expensive drinks.
6. Don't buy new clothes. Used clothes are often very cheap, even if they were worn only once. So buying used clothes can save you a lot of money.
7. Don't miss breakfast. A healthy breakfast can be very cheap and it gives you energy for the day. It can help you control your appetite for a big, expensive lunch.
8. Try to fix things yourself. Many years ago, it was difficult to fix problems with our cars and in our homes, but now there are a lot of online videos that show us how to fix things for free.
9. Don't drive. If your town or city has a public transportation system, use it instead of driving your car. It's much cheaper and you don't need to worry about parking.