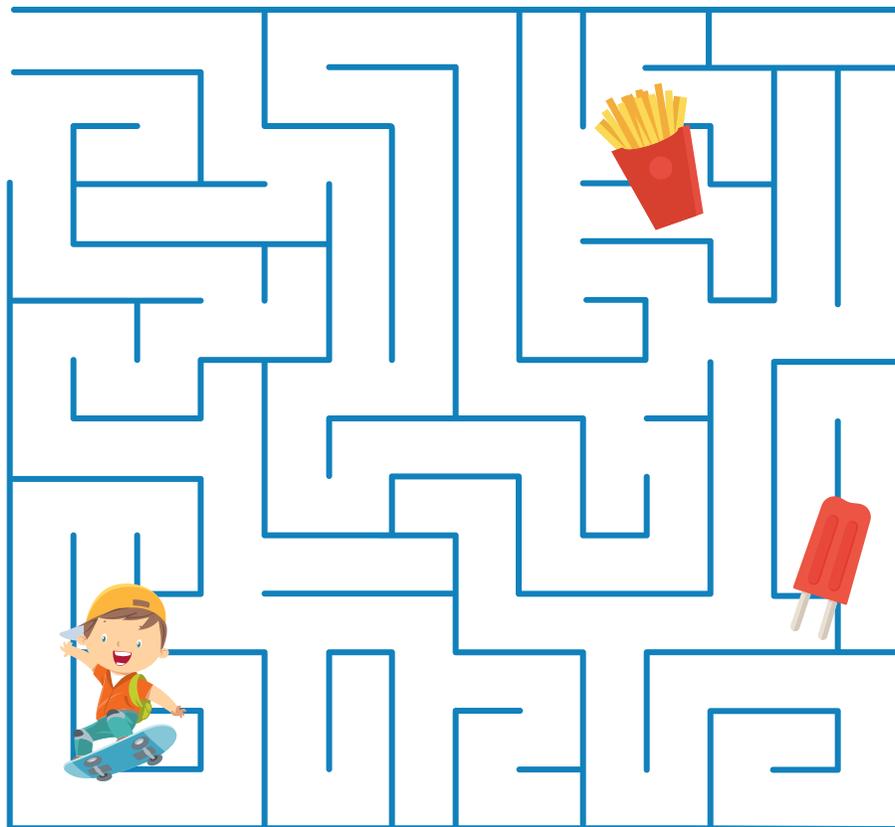


Roadblocks

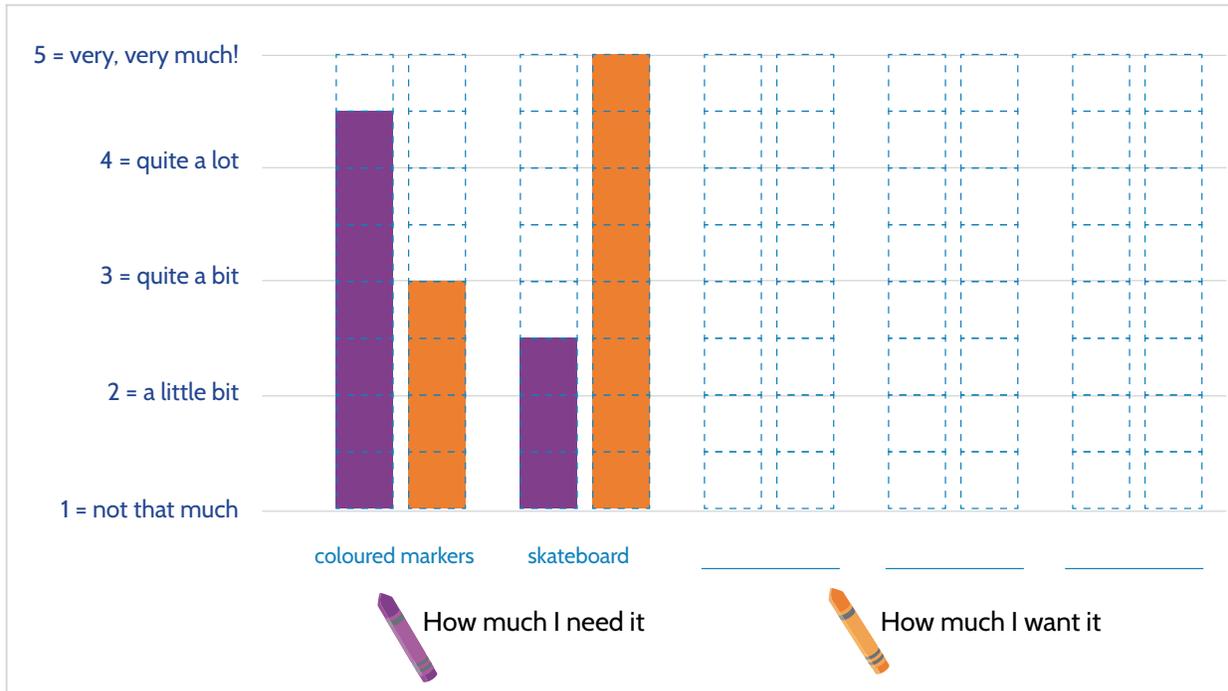
A. There are so many roadblocks on the way to saving. A roadblock is something that gets in the way of what you want to do. You could get your needs and wants mixed up. How about the cool new skateboard, or the French fries snack on the way home from school? Every time you take money out and spend it, you're cutting into your savings. Try this activity below to help you see what roadblocks you may find on your way to saving:



What are some of your common roadblocks?

B. One way you can overcome your roadblocks to saving is by figuring out the things you really need versus the things you just want. Try this graph. Colour in how much you “need” each item and then how much you “want” it.

Needs and wants



Take it further

Make a timeline!

Think of a savings goal and start by getting a long piece of paper and a marker. Write \$0 at the bottom of the page and \$50 (or whatever goal amount) at the top of the page. Create checkpoints on the paper for when you reach 25%, 50%, and 75% of your goal. Every time you save an amount, draw a line showing how much was saved. You can even set rewards for yourself at each checkpoint (or ask a caregiver to set a small reward for you!) If you like, make it in the shape of a popsicle and think about a refreshing reward!

