SCENARIOS ANSWER KEY

For each of the following scenarios, write three budget items that fit the person's lifestyle needs. Categorize these three ideas—one for short-term or immediate needs, one for medium-term goals, and one long-term goal.

These are sample responses. Answers will vary.

Scenario	Short-term, or immediate goals	Medium-term goal	Long-term goal
Tiana is a college student. She uses student loans to pay for her tuition and most of her living expenses. She has a part-time job on campus that gives her extra spending money, and she often babysits on the weekends. She uses public transportation to save money. What should be included in Tiana's budget?	Setting aside money for: Paying on student loans Unexpected emergencies for college Personal or social opportunities	Personal or social opportunities	Saving for a car after college Creating a long-term savings plan Paying off student loans
Jamal is a junior in high school. He works 15 hours a week at the mall. He lives with his parents, so he does not have any living expenses. He pays for his cell phone and borrows his brother's car for \$50 each month. He really wants to buy a car and have money for going out with his friends. He does not save much. What should be included in Jamal's budget?	Unexpected school emergencies Gas for his brother's car Personal or social expenses Clothing expenses	Saving for future cell phone and brother's car use Personal or social opportunities	Saving for a car and insurance Saving for college Saving for being on his own

manager for a real estate company. Her salary is more than enough to provide for her and more. She just	All monthly rent and living expenses Starting a savings plan with any extra money	Paying off student loan with extra money Saving for future car	Saving for a house Paying off student loans
household expenses. She is paying off a student loan and she wants to save as much money as she can to	Paying off student loan Saving for any job expenses	repairs Personal or social opportunities	
They just moved from another state so his mom could start a new job. They have an apartment and car, but his mom would like to have a house in a year or two. Jaime's sister has been diagnosed with diabetes and that means she will need medications and a healthier diet. His older sister Laura wants to become a dental	Setting aside money for healthy food and medication for diabetes Gas money Family emergencies Car maintenance and repairs	Saving for Laura's college expenses Jaime and his sisters contributing money to a savings plan from parttime jobs Budget for going out with a set amount	Saving for a house Saving for college for all the children