Manage Your Financial Hygiene | Worksheet

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 - c. Check your accounts frequently
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4. Which practice is essential for maintaining good financial hygiene and protecting against financial risks?

- a. Frequently changing bank accounts
- b. Investing in a single stock
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Application

You notice your bank account is getting lower each month and so you sit down to review your budget. Your income is \$850 per week. Analyze your list of expenses for the past week. Are you experiencing positive cash flow or negative cash flow? Circle any expenses you could reduce in order to achieve a healthier personal budget.

<u>Column B</u>

- a. Budget
- b. Positive Cash Flow
- c. Negative Cash Flow
- d. Identity Theft
- e. Fraud





| Item | Expense |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Rent | \$250 |
| Groceries | \$175 |
| Coffee | \$30 |
| Gym Membership | \$50 |
| Utilities (Gas/Water) | \$75 |
| Clothing | \$140 |
| Dining Out | \$150 |
| Cell Phone | \$60 |
| | \$930 |

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Application Answer

Coffee, gym memberships, clothing, and dining out are all Items that may be considered non-essential expenses. Help students make choices in eliminating or reducing them in order to come below the \$850 budget.

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