

KIRBY ESCAPES!



It was the last Saturday of winter break and Mama Roo was taking Kirby and his friends Casey and Rebecca to their first Escape Room. Friends at school had talked about them, but they weren't sure what to expect. Everyone said it was fun solving puzzles and trying to escape. They just didn't give any details. All they would say is "it's a secret" or "it's part of the fun." This just made Kirby more excited.

When Casey and Rebecca arrived at Kirby's house, Mama said, "Let's go. We need to be there in 20 minutes."

The kids piled into the back of the car and began chattering away. Mama smiled when she looked in the mirror and saw the excitement on Kirby's face. This would be a fun adventure before school started again.

A few minutes later they were at the Escape Room hearing all about the clues they needed to find before they could "escape". They would need to solve puzzles and riddles. Each step would unlock the next clue, until they finally found their treasure.

Mama went in with them, but promised "I'm not going to help you. I just want to make sure everyone is ok."

Kirby smiled, "Ok, Mama."

"Is everyone ready?" the staff person asked.

"Yes!" yelled Kirby.

"Definitely!" shouted Casey.

"Let's escape," added Rebecca.

They started and the puzzles were going quick. One after another, they were figuring out the puzzles together. Then they got to the last riddle. They only had 5 minutes left before the buzzer and time would be up.

Kirby read aloud, "If you buy a rooster for the purpose of laying eggs to sell at 25¢ each and you expect 2 eggs each day, how many days will it take before you have enough money to buy a new hat that costs \$10?"

Casey grabbed a piece of paper and pencil and started doing the math. As he scribbled on his paper, "I got it, 20 days!" he yelled.



Answer: Roosters don't lay eggs.

Rebecca said, "That sounds too easy."

Casey paused and looked at Rebecca. "You're right," Casey laughed.

They all began to giggle as it dawned on them, just before the buzzer was set to go off. Kirby yelled, "We will never have enough money!" with that the door opened and they walked out of the room together. The team had escaped.

Do you know why they were right?

WATCH IT GROW!

Maybe you earned money babysitting or walking the neighbor's dog. Maybe your Grandparents sent some for your birthday. No matter how you got the money, chances are you want to spend it all. You have choices. You can spend it, save it or donate it. Spending some is ok. Donating some is also ok. Check with your parents before spending or donating because they likely want you to save at least some of it.

When it comes to saving, you can put it in your piggy bank at home for safe keeping, but the better option is to put it in your Kirby Kangaroo account at the credit union. Why? Because then you earn interest. Each month the credit union looks at your account and they give you extra money just for having them save your money. What's even better is next month they give you even more because you get interest on what you put in AND what the interest they added to your account. Let's see how it works:

Now, pretend you got \$20 for your birthday when you turned five. Your parents take you to your credit union and you open an account. They tell you that you will earn one percent interest. You check your balance a year later and find out that your original \$20 is worth \$20.20! It doesn't sound like much, but it adds up. When you turn 18, that original \$20 deposit will be worth \$22.78 and all you had to do was open an account.

Make saving a habit now and you will enjoy more money later.



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KIT!



No one wants it to happen, but they do. Emergencies happen all over the world. You may think there's nothing you can do, but there is. You can help your family by putting together an emergency preparedness kit. It will make a huge difference, when you need it. Sit down with your family and go over the list together. Make sure you're all prepared. Then store everything together in one place, so it is easy to get to when you need it.

1. Flashlight
2. Battery operated radio
3. Batteries for the flashlight and radio
4. Clothing for each member of the family
5. Blankets
6. First aid kit
7. Dog or cat food
8. Water (one gallon per person per day)
9. Non-perishable food with can opener
10. Portable cellphone charger
11. Sturdy shoes or boots
12. Medicine
13. Money
14. Copies of ID cards
15. Important documents





For more Kirby fun, check out your Credit Union's website.

DO YOU HAVE THE PERFECT KIRBY STORY?

KIRBY GETS INTO SO MANY ADVENTURES

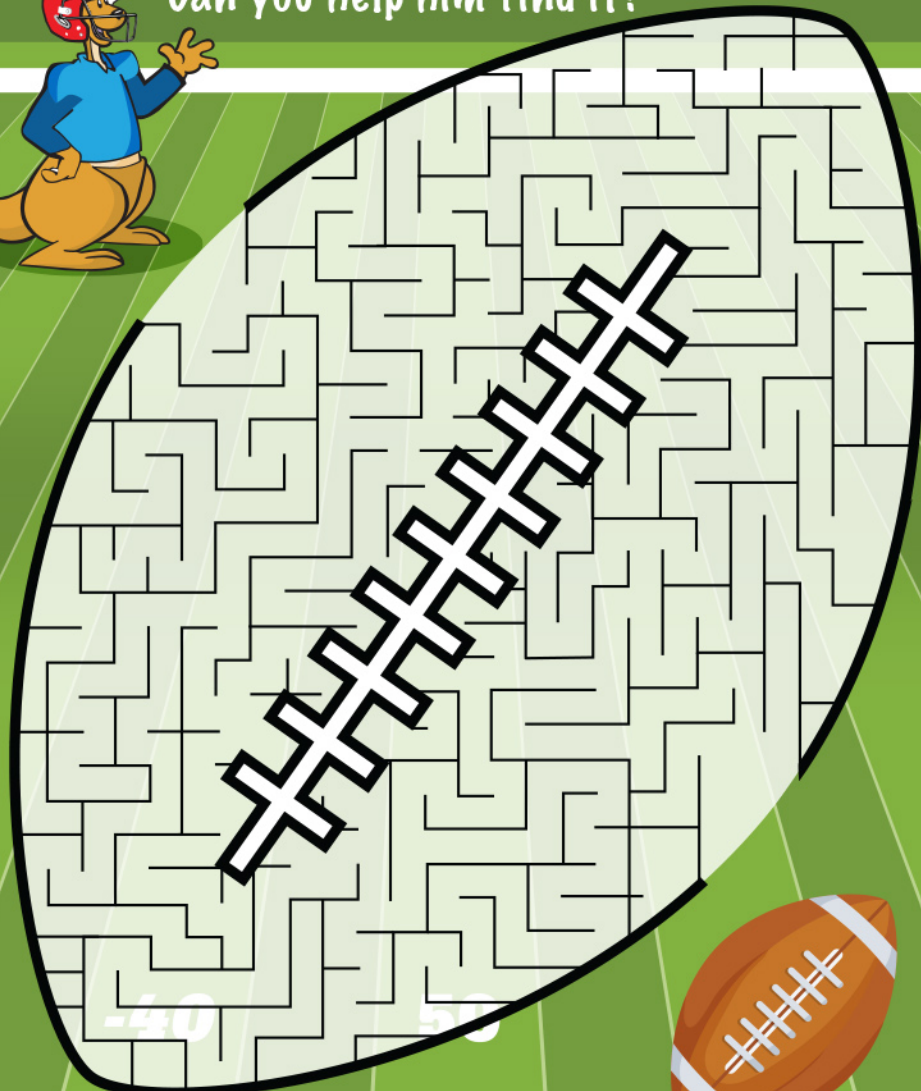
with his friends Casey & Rebecca and learns a lot of important lessons along the way. If you think you could write a great story and want to see it published in our newsletter or on your credit union's Kirby kangaroo site have your parents send your awesome story to INFO@KIRBYKANGAROO.COM.

Your story just needs to be a minimum of 5 sentences but it can be as long as you want.



KIRBY LOST HIS BALL!

Can you help him find it?"



WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT ALL YOU KIRBY CADETS OUT THERE COME UP WITH!