Name _____ Date _____

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT FOLLOWING A BUDGET

Directions: Think about the consequences of spending and saving behaviors by predicting how much was saved or spent for each of the following situations. What, if any, of the following spending or saving behaviors applied to you? How much would you spend or save? Read each of the "What if..." scenarios below and calculate the amount saved or spent. Write the amount in the middle column. In the right column, list at least one consequence of the behavior.

What if…	Amount	Possible Outcome
Example: . . . you incur a late fee of $3 at least twice a month at the video rental store because you returned rented video games or movies late?	In six months, you would have ~~saved~~/spent $36. [($3 x 2 times/month) = $6 $6 x 6 months = $36]	This is $36 that could have been put into savings or used to rent more movies or video games. Also, this might hurt my reputation as a reliable customer of the rental store.
. . . you saved half of your gift money you received in the last year.	In one year, you would have saved/spent $_____.	
. . . you purchased a soda or coffee every weekday after school?	In one month, you would have saved/spent $_____.	
. . . you saved 10% of your paychecks (or allowances)?	In six months, you would have saved/spent $_____.	
. . . your cell phone service charged 10 cents for every text message, and you averaged about three text messages a day?	In the month of April, you would have saved/spent $_____.	
. . . your parents learned that you are eligible for a good student discount of 25% on your automobile insurance premium. The full premium is $350 for three months.	In one year, your family would have saved/spent $_____.	