Time and Money with Families Scenarios

Scenario 1	Alex is a first grade student. He lives with his mom and dad and two brothers.He is the youngest. On a special night his school is having a carnival. His oldest brother has a band concert and his other brother has a soccer game on the same night. Alex really wants to go to the school carnival.Do you think Alex will get to go to the school carnival? Why or why not? Think, Pair, Share with a partner and decide what you think will happen.
Scenario 2	Sarah is an 8 th grade student. She lives with her mom. Sarah has a younger brother that is 2 years old. Her mother works at Wal-Mart. Sarah's mom works hard, but does not earn a lot of money. They are part of a program that helps them buy food each month. Because Sarah's mom wants her to have something fun to do after school she works extra so she can pay for Sarah to have dance lessons once a week. Sarah has been invited by her friends to go with them to go to a movie, to lunch and then bowling. Sarah really wants to go and asks her mom if she may go. Do you think Sarah will get to go out with her friends? Why or why not? Think, Pair, Share with a partner and decide what you think will happen. If you decided that her mom would not be able to afford to let Sarah go out with her friends, is there anything Sarah could do to be able to go?
Scenario 3	Ryan is a fourth grade student. He lives with his dad. Ryan's dad works at a restaurant as a chef. Sometimes his dad works in the day, but sometimes he works in the evening. When Ryan's dad has to work in the evening, Ryan goes to a daycare and then his dad hires a babysitter to watch him in the evening. Ryan wants to join an after school basketball team. The cost for the season is \$100. The basketball team practices at 5:30 p.m. after school twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The games are played on Saturdays at different times each week. Do you think Ryan will get to join the basketball team? Why or why not? Think, Pair, Share with a partner and decide what you think will happen.

Rachel is an adult that married and has 3 children. She and her husband got married right after high school and could not afford to go to college. They both work hard and but still don't earn a lot of money. They live in a small house and own older cars.

Christmas is coming and she and her husband want to make sure the family has a nice Christmas. They have saved money to make sure they can buy presents and have a nice dinner.

Scenario 4

Rachel and her husband have some good ideas of what to get the kids for Christmas. Rachel is planning to get her husband a new stereo. She also saw a necklace at the jewelry store that she told her husband she really wanted for Christmas.

After buying the food for dinner and presents for the kids there is not much money left for Rachel and her husband to buy presents for each other.

What do you think Rachel and her husband will do? Think, Pair, Share with a partner and decide what you think will happen.