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## Balancing Your Check Register WARM UP Activity

The purpose of this activity is to practice accurately balancing a check register. Managing money is an ongoing lifetime process so we will continue this activity for nine days.

Each day, as you enter the classroom, you will be given specific instructions to make a financial transaction. This might be done by providing you with a mock check to fill out or instructions for a debit card purchase or ATM deposit/withdrawal..You will be expected to record all transactions on the check register below.

Remember, when you make a purchase you are subtracting from the balance; when you make a deposit (such as a paycheck) you will be adding to the balance. Be sure to enter the date and description in the appropriate columns. If it is a check, record the check number. Follow the same procedure for debit purchases and ATM transactions. The following website will walk you through the steps of correctly writing out a check. Other banking tools are also available on this site. <u>http://www.themint.org/teens/writing-a-check.htm</u>

Check #	Date	Description	Transaction Amount (-)	Deposit Amount (+)	Balance
		Beginning Balance			295.35