

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Rainy Days and Emergency Funds: Why They Matter in Budgeting

### Short Answer

1. Can you explain what an emergency fund is and why it's important in your own words?
2. How can having an emergency fund prevent you from accumulating high-interest debt?
3. What steps can you take to start building your emergency fund today?
4. Describe a situation where having an emergency fund would be particularly helpful. How would it make a difference in that situation?
5. Why is it essential to keep your emergency fund separate from your regular checking account?

