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## STUDENT ACTIVITY

### Chapter 4

## Internet Extension One for the Record Books

### EXPLORE



Balancing your checking account is crucial to avoid costly charges and fines. One way to avoid an overdrawn account is to use your computer to keep track of spending. There are several computer software packages that ease much of the work involved in keeping track of your checking account activity.

### DIRECTIONS



Complete the following worksheet by using the Internet to research and compare costs for recordkeeping software you can buy online.

Keywords: \_\_\_\_\_

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Web Sites: \_\_\_\_\_

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### NET RESULTS



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| 1. Name and Price of First Software Package  |  |
| 2. URL for the Product                       |  |
| 3. Name and Price of Second Software Package |  |
| 4. URL for the Product                       |  |

## STUDENT ACTIVITY *(continued)*

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#### CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS



1. How are these software packages different from traditional ways of keeping track of spending?

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2. At what age do you think a person is responsible enough to open a checking account?

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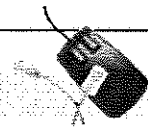
3. What types of services are available at financial institutions to help you avoid problems with insufficient funds?

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#### EXTENSION EXERCISE



What happens when a check bounces due to insufficient funds? What fines and fees are involved? Use the Internet to research different policies on overdrawn accounts at different banks.