Teacher Answer Key

Case Study

1. If Riley bought the $9 stuffed animal, Riley would give up lunch money (a need) and risk going over budget.

2. Riley paused, listed expenses, and set priorities; the list made trade-offs visible and prevented impulse buying.

Multiple Choice

1. B

2. A

3. B

Matching

1-C, 2-A, 3-D, 4-E, 5-B

Fill-in-the-Blank

1) fixed, 2) buffer, 3) opportunity

Short Answer (Sample Responses)

Q1: Example: card ($3) + candy hearts ($2) + craft supplies ($4) + movie rental ($4.50) = $13.50; leaves room for tax/buffer.

Q2: People want to impress or avoid feeling left out, so they spend quickly without planning.

Q3: Write a specific note, make a small craft, or plan time together—thoughtful effort often matters more than price.