

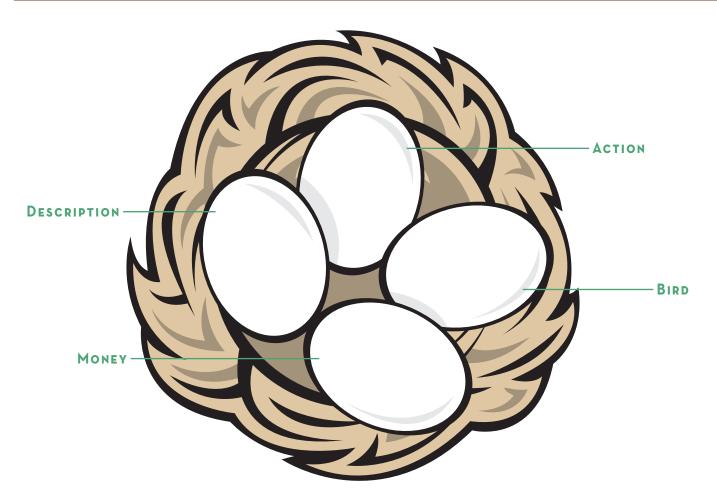
PERCY PEACOCK AND THE CREDIT CRISIS

Use the Bird Word Bank below to sort the vocabulary from the fable into four categories: Description Words; Action Words; Money Words; and Bird Words. Write each word on the correct vocabulary egg. A few words may fit on more than one egg.



BIRD WORD BANK

credit	feathers	proud	fees	scanned
shiny	payment	beak	shopping	donate
peahens	scratched	elegant	strutted	handsome
chick-a-dee				





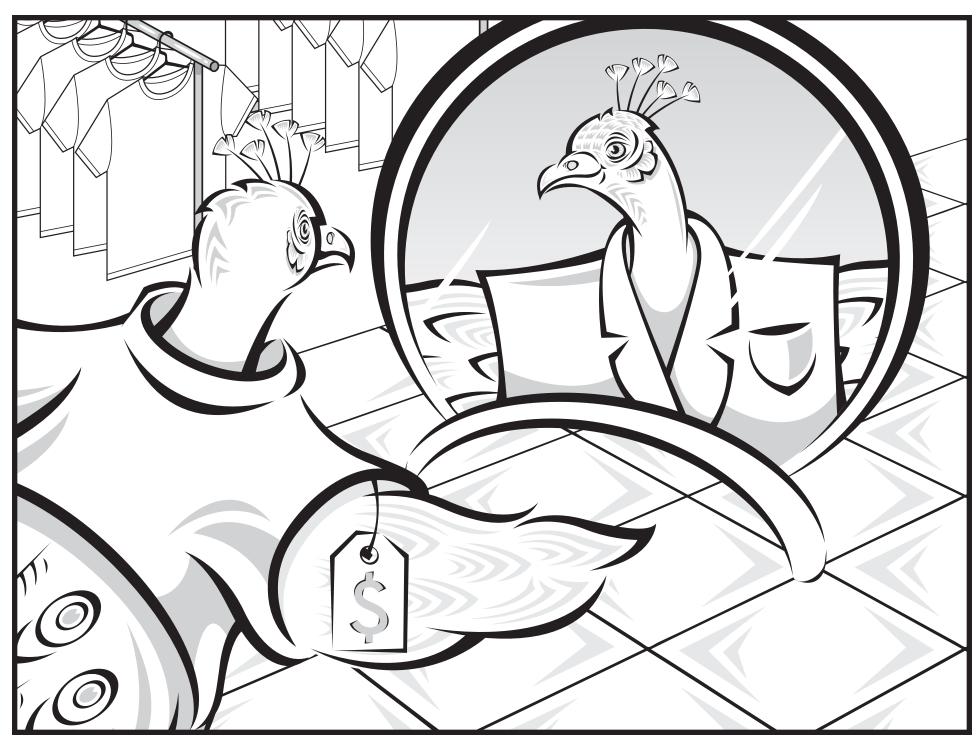
DIRECTIONS:

Help Percy keep track of his credit card purchases and payments below. Add the prices of his credit purchases in column 2 to get his total credit bill. Subtract his payment in column 3 from the total to find out what he still owes. What advice can you give Percy to help him with his credit bill?

Percy's Purchases	Price	Payment
Handsome Jacket	\$20.00	
Colorful Shirt	\$12.85	
Sharp Tie	\$6.99	
Stylish Hat	\$8.50	
Total Credit Bill		
		\$25.00
	Percy Owes	

I would tell Percy to		

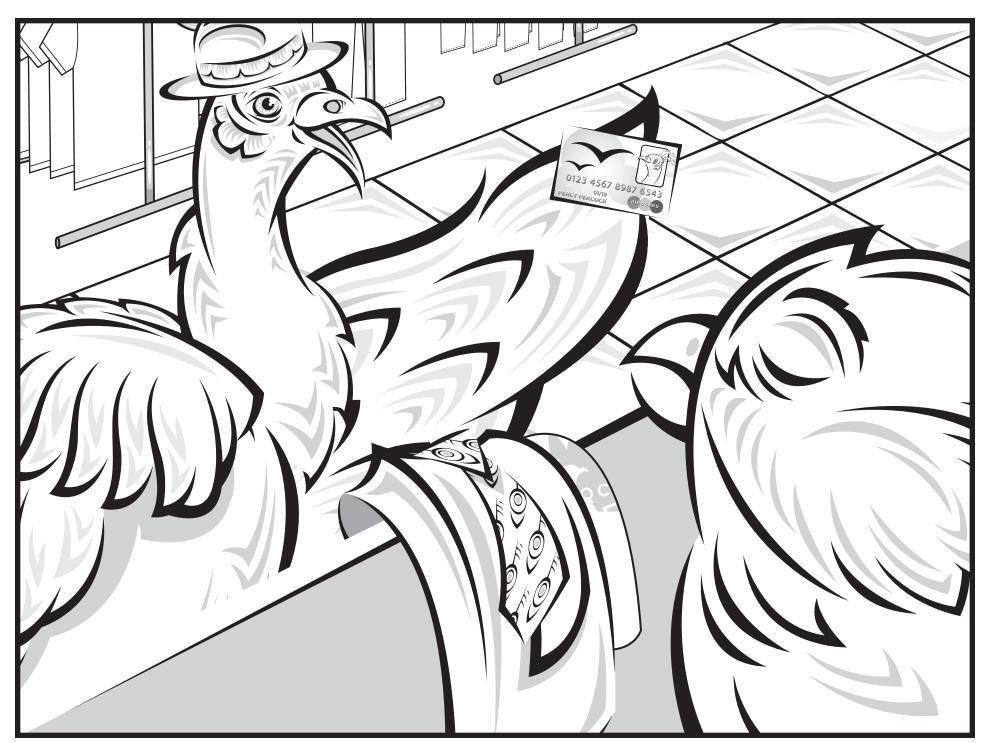




Percy Peacock proudly admired his reflection in the clothing store mirror. He simply had to buy it!



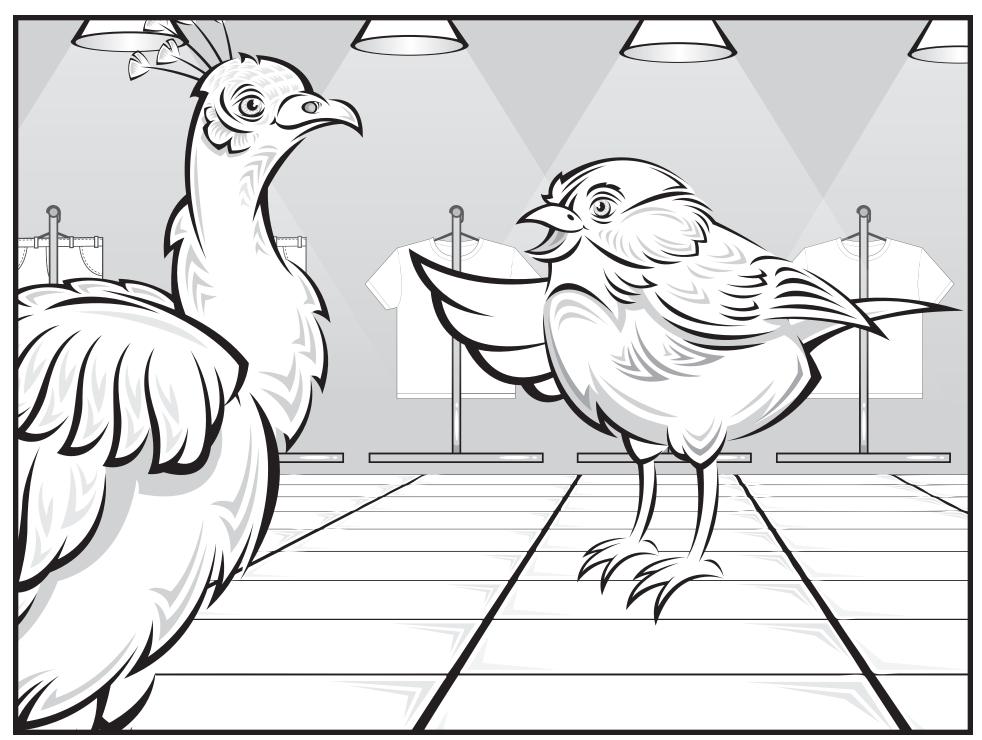
He should buy one of these striking shirts to wear under his perfect jacket... and a sharp tie to complete the look...and what about a stylish hat to top it off?



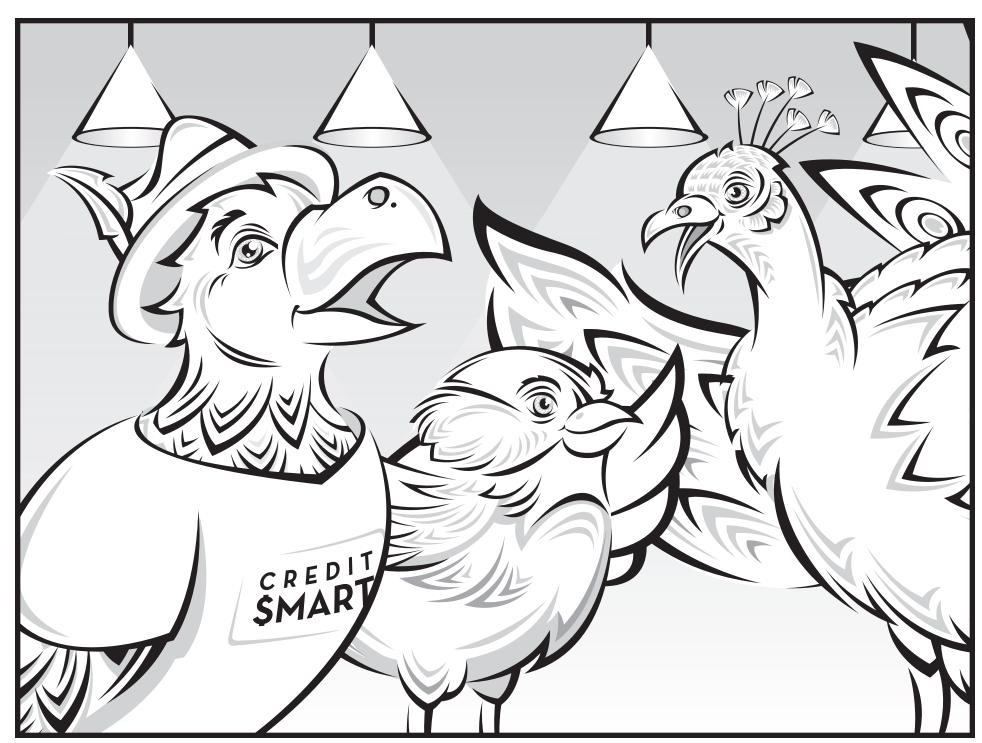
 $\hbox{``l'll use my credit card, Charlie. Adding another purchase to my monthly bill won't hurt."}$



 $\hbox{``l'm sorry, Percy. Your card wasn't accepted. You won't be able to purchase your clothes today after all."}$



"You can make smaller credit purchases again once your bill is paid off. Just remember to pay for them on time."



The money moral is: Use credit wisely and make payments on time to be a responsible consumer.