Decision Making

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- 2. Brad earns \$3.75 per hour when he babysits for Mrs. Windham. He babysits 3 hours every week.
- 3. Brad mows Mr. Crane's lawn each week for \$12.00. He also pulls weeds for an additional \$2.50.



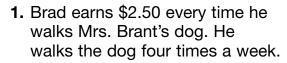
4. Brad wants to save enough money to buy a \$250 stereo. If Brad wanted to do all his jobs every week, how many weeks would he need to work to earn the money he needs for the stereo?

5. Brad is going to join the basketball team. He needs to decide which job he should eliminate to make more time for practice. Which job do you think Brad should eliminate? Why?

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12 + 2.50 + 10 + 11.25 = 35.75 in one week;

 $$35.75 \times 7 = $250.25; 7 \text{ weeks}$

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Possible answer: Walking the dog, because he doesn't earn as much money as he does doing the other 2 jobs

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Possible answers: Babysitting, because he can earn \$3.75 per hour; lawn work, because he can earn \$14.50 per neighbor.