

**Snapshot Response to
“Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday”
by Judith Viorst**

1. Alexander could use some advice about handling money. What advice would you give him?

Model: Alexander always seems to lose money or to buy things he doesn't need. I would tell him to think more carefully about how he spends his money. I might also tell him to stop making excuses for the unwise decisions he makes.

2. What picture did you have in mind when Alexander asked his mother to guess which hand held the marble? How did visualizing that help you understand what you were reading?

Possible response: I pictured Alexander holding out his hand, with his fists squeezed tight. Picturing this helped me keep track of how much money he had left.

3. The words *rich*, *nickels*, *dimes*, and *quarters* are all related to money. What other words from the Selection Snapshot could you add to the list?

Possible words: *bus tokens*, *dollar*, *bought*, *cents*, *change*, *bet*, *finer*, *borrow*, *save*.