**Check Writing**

Writing checks is a safe method of payment. You can mail a check and not have to worry about losing it. If your check gets lost, you can write a new check. If you mail cash and it gets lost, it is gone forever. With checks, you don’t have to carry around a lot of cash that you might spend or lose. Many people use checks to pay their bills and buy things they need. Although you may have many of your bills set up to pay automatically when you are older, there will still be bills you will have to pay with a checking account. Let’s practice the correct way to write out checks. (Choose 2 from below.)

1. **Write out a check at the**

**store to pay for food.**

* today’s date
* Pay: Kroger
* Amount: 45.10
* Write it out: Forty-five and 10/100
* For: Groceries
* Sign your name

1. **You want to send your cousin money for her**

**birthday next week.**

* today’s date
* Pay: Mary Smith
* Amount: 10.00
* Write it out: Ten and no/100
* For: Birthday
* Sign your name

1. **Write out a check to your gas company**

**to pay the utility bill.**

* today’s date
* Pay: Atmos Energy
* Amount: 56.73
* Write it out: Fifty-six and 73/100
* For: gas bill
* Sign your name



