



**Scholarships
at Any Age!**
Free Money for College!

Apply for 105 Scholarships in 1 year in 90 minutes a week

This checklist helps students earn scholarships. One won \$70,000 in 9 months. Another earned \$360,000 between her 13th and 18th birthdays. We don't guarantee you will have the same results. We know that you will earn scholarships if you follow these steps working on scholarships just 90 minutes a week.

Enroll in our online course (www.ScholarshipsatAnyAge.Teachable.com) for details on how to get the \$\$\$!

First Month: Complete Search Engine Profiles, Talk to Counselors, and Review Lists of Scholarships

- First Week:** Create a new email account to use to find scholarships. Complete profiles on FastWeb.org and Chegg.com
- Second Week:** Identify 3-4 themes (see below). Complete profiles on Scholarships.com, CollegeBoard.com, & MyScolly.com
 - Academics
 - Activism
 - Athletics
 - Character
 - Creative talents
 - Entrepreneurship
 - Ethnic background
 - Leadership
 - Service
 - Survivor
- Third Week:** Review scholarships on the *Counseling* or *Financial Aid* section of high school & college web sites & ScholarshipLibrary.org. Review www.FinAid.org's articles on *Scholarship Scams* to avoid scams and frauds
- Fourth Week:** Talk to high school guidance and college financial aid counselors. Review scholarships on CareerOneStop.org & AIE.org. Ask teachers to choose a scholarship topic instead of the topic assigned for writing homework

Second Month: Continue Finding Scholarships through Search Engines & Lists, Create Statements & Letters

- First Week:** Register on www.Reddit.com sub reddit r/scholarships, and www.Scholarships.net. Identify 3 situations for each theme
- Second Week:** Review http://www.campuscareercenter.com/scholarships/scholarship_list.asp. Identify 3 specific examples for each situation of each theme
- Third Week:** Turn each specific example into a rough, unrefined sentence detailing what happened & results that occurred
- Fourth Week:** Ask one person each from school, work, community programs, church, or other for a letter of recommendation. Offer to draft the letter of recommendation for them to edit and finalize to their satisfaction. Include appropriate scholarship statements from my experience with that person or my contribution to the organization in each letter

Third Month: Complete Refining Statements and Letters of Recommendation, & begin submitting applications

- First Week:** Refine each sentence in the following ways (Refine each sentence separately. Do not combine these steps)
 - Exchange implied numbers for actual or estimated numeric symbols (\$,%,#s)
 - Translate jargon for phrases that will be misunderstood (i.e. *execute* has different meanings for athletes and prison guards)
- Second Week:** Refine each sentence in the following ways (Refine each sentence separately. Do not combine these steps)
 - Ensure use of the active versus the passive voice, and 3rd person plural when feasible
 - Enhance word choices for more refined, sophisticated reading levels (i.e. *disadvantaged families* for *poor families*)
- Third Week:** Ask someone to review, edit, and perfect the statements (leaving symbols instead of words). Submit 2 simple applications
- Fourth Week:** Ask sponsors of letters of recommendation to review the draft of the letter and perfect it, then print and sign it on their letterhead. Thank them for the letter and scanned it into a PDF file for use on scholarship applications. Submit 2 simple applications.

Fourth Month: Continue Applying & Prepare 5-6 Reusable Essays to Submit with Scholarship Applications

- First Week:** Submit 1 application. Adapt *Scholarship Statements* (from 2nd & 3rd month) into an essay for the topic *Why I Deserve This Scholarship*
- Second Week:** Submit 2 applications. Review possible essay topics on www.Reddit.com (r/scholarships) or www.FinAid.org (search Essays and topics). Read essays submitted by previous winners (essay committees frequently post past winners on their scholarship page)
- Third Week:** Submit 2 applications. Compare essays you have already written to topics requested by scholarship committees
- Fourth Week:** Ask English teachers to review selected essays and edit them to perfection. Made the corrections and asked them to review it again.

Fifth-Twelfth Month: Submit 3 Scholarship Applications a Week (Times 30 weeks=90 more applications)

Each Week Same Things

- Create a *Master Application* document containing answers to applications to copy and paste future answers
- Copy statements into applications to answer questions asking for examples or descriptions of specific experiences.
- Copy & paste scholarship statements in to fields asking to describe or explain experiences
- Upload reusable letters of recommendation as requested
- Modify and upload modified, reusable essays as requested
 - Customize the essay's opening, body, and closing for each scholarship submission
 - Save customized essays <scholarship name> Essay Submitted by <your name>.PDF

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Worksheet to Prepare 36 Scholarship Statements

Use this worksheet to prepare your 36 scholarship statements (steps listed in the 2nd & 3rd Months).

1. Themes	2. 3 Situations, circumstances or categories for each theme	3. Jot Down 3 specific examples of each category, situation, or circumstances. 4. Turn each specific example into sentences (ugly, rough, don't try to refine until next step). 5. Refine sentences: implied numbers for real numbers, translate jargon, active voice, 3 rd person, & refined vocabulary 6. Ask someone else to edit your statements while ignoring rules governing numbers

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