Shopping these days can be a traumatic experience for the housewife. With prices going up, up, and away - women are

dismayed to know that this year's forecast is that inflation will hit a new high. If you shrink when the girl at the register adds up your grocery bill, take heart. There are some ways to make every penny count. But you've got to work at it.

Be a listmaker. The smart shopper maps out her strategy before she engages in the battle of Costs vs. Pocketbooks. Lists are indispensible aids in keeping impulses under check and making the shopper walk down the straight and narrow path of real economies. A list should be flexible enough to include the daily "specials" the store is featuring. Shopping lists rarely contain items like Macadamia Nuts, grape leaves sturgeon. Unless, of course, you're very rich, in which case you'd not be too worried about over-spending in the first place

-should be your battle cry because manufacturers and food processors do have periodic 'deals" that are very much to your advantage. Cents-off coupons and stickers, those lovely get-one-free offers really mean money in your pocket, so never carelessly toss away any that come vour way.

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Young children may even enjoy looking through this easy

