



LESSON PLANNING RESOURCES

In this section of the Reading is an Investment curriculum guide are additional resources that teachers may find useful in writing classroom lesson plans for their individual grades. Evaluations from the first seven years of the program showed that the curricular materials were underutilized by classroom teachers. As a result, detailed lesson plans that were previously provided for individual grade levels have been omitted from this guide. Program evaluations consistently showed that if the lesson plans were used, it was by school librarians seeking additional resources--not complete plans.

“Curious George Saves His Pennies” by Monica Perez



Other Related Books

If you Made A Million, by David Schwartz, © 1994, HarperCollins Publishers.

Isabel's Car Wash, by Judy Stead, © 2008, Weigl Publishers Inc.

Lesson plans and librarian activities were included in the 2014-2015 Reading is an Investment curriculum guide. You can access these plans by going to <http://www.vermonttreasurer.gov/financial-literacy/reading-is-an-investment/>

Rock, Brock and the Savings Shock, by Sheila Bair, © 2006, Albert Whitman & Company.

Those Shoes, by Maribeth Boelts, @2009, Candlewick Press.

Online Games & Activities

Practical Money Skills:

http://www.practicalmoneyskills.com/games/road_trip/road_trip.html?width=600&height=420

Road Trip to Savings is an interactive game takes users through the experience of saving for a goal. This activity is meant for k-6 students.

Managing Money: Spending and Saving:

<http://pbskids.org/itsmylife/money/managing/index.html>

PBS Kids offers a page, geared toward children, that introduces basic money skills. You can find games and other activities by browsing the content.

Curricular Resources

[How Banks Work - http://www.themint.org/kids/how-banks-work.html](http://www.themint.org/kids/how-banks-work.html)

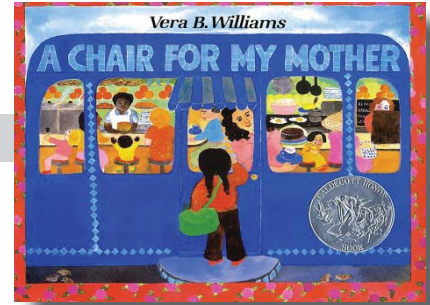
The U.S. Mint has developed lesson plans, unit plans and other resources regarding our coin currency. On the left menu, be sure to explore the variety of activities and calculators that are available to use.



Videos & Cartoons

Kids Talk about the Power of Saving

In this video, kids explain the importance of saving.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=myaPP50ihWU>



“A Chair for my Mother” by Vera B. Williams

Other Related Books

Betty Bunny Wants Everything, by Michael B. Kaplan, © 2012, Dial Books, A Penguin Random House Company.

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Lily Learns Wants and Needs, by Lisa Bullard, © 2014, Millbrook Press.

Three Cups, by Tony Wonsley and Mark St. German, © 2011, Three Cups, LLC.

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The Kids’ Money Book: Earning, Saving, Spending, Investing, Donating, by Jamie Kyle McGillian, © 2004, Sterling Publishing, Inc.

Online Games & Activities

Kids.Gov :

<https://kids.usa.gov/comics/index.shtml>

Kids.Gov has a variety of resources to teach kids personal financial literacy. These comics offer tips to assist in creating strategies to save money.

Curricular Resources

Council for Economic Education - http://www.econedlink.org/lessons/docs_lessons/476_Earning_a_Profit1.pdf

A math for kids worksheet is available at this link. A worksheet and answer sheet are available that teach students how to determine their profits.

Videos & Cartoons

Cha-Ching: Saving for Success (3:00)

In this video, the Cha-Chin
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0hJ6-Bk7dHw>

Biz Kid\$ What Can you do with Money?

Biz Kid\$ has a page of short clips from the television show. This episode features tips on how you can spending, saving, donating, and investing money.

<http://bizkids.com/episode/what-can-you-do-with-money>

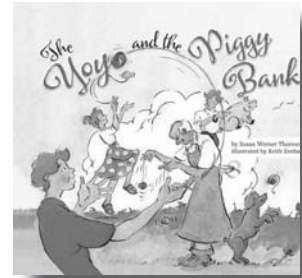


“The Yoyo and the Piggy Bank” by Susan Werner Thoresen

Other Related Books

One Hen, by Katie Smith Milway, © 2008, Kids Can Press Ltd.

Lesson plans and librarian activities were included in the 2010-2011 Reading is an Investment curriculum guide. You can access these plans by going to <http://www.vermonttreasurer.gov/financial-literacy/reading-is-an-investment/lessons2010>.



Curricular Resources

Biz Kid\$ - http://bizkids.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/Biz_Kids_Lesson_508.pdf

A variety of lessons are available at this link, including a lesson on “What is a bank?”.

Federal Reserve Banks Education - https://www.federalreserveeducation.org/resources/topics/public_banking

At this link you will find a variety of resources: lesson plans, activities and publications.

Finance in the Classroom - <http://financeintheclassroom.org/teacher/look.shtml#bank>

At this link is a lesson on “Kids and Cash” for 3rd-5th grade students that explores interest payments.

National Education Association -

<http://www.nea.org/tools/lessons/resources-for-teaching-financial-literacy.html>

Search this site for lesson plans related to personal finance, including banking.

Videos & Cartoons

How Banks Work (3:38)

Highlights for Kids offers a narrated story on how banks operate.

<https://www.highlightskids.com/audio-story/how-banks-work>

How Does a Bank Do Business? (2:38)

This animated feature illustrates how interest is paid to both savers and borrowers.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jSNXxShN2k8>

Take it to the Bank (1:34)

This Biz Kid\$ sketch explains what a bank is and why children should consider putting their money in a bank.

<http://bizkids.com/clip/bk-hosts-take-it-to-the-bank>

What is a Bank? (3:07)

This animated feature illustrates what a bank does and how to use the bank for both lending and borrowing.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CqD3hnjZBTM>