Where does money come from?

Does it grow on trees? Does it live in the wall? Let's find out.

Answers and teaching notes

For the teacher

- **Aim:** Pupils understand that money is earned through work, that it is limited, and that a cash machine only gives out money that is already in a person's bank account.
- **Curriculum links:** Financial Education Planning Framework, ages 7 to 9: the role money plays in our lives (where money comes from; paid and unpaid jobs). PSHE: economic wellbeing and careers. Citizenship: how people help in the community. Maths: adding, subtracting and multiplying small amounts of money.
- **Watch first:** the Penny Explains video "Where does money come from?" at pennyexplains.com.
- **Starter:** Ask: where do grown-ups get money from? Take every idea. Then watch the video and see which ideas were right.
- **Support:** Read the story in activity 6 aloud and act it out with a box that has a slot as the cash machine.
- **Stretch:** Ask pupils to think of three jobs that help people and three jobs that make things.
- **Be sensitive:** some adults at home may not have a paid job. Money can also come from a pension, benefits or gifts, and unpaid work such as caring for a family matters just as much.
- **Total:** 32 points. Suggested answers are shown in red; accept any answer that is well reasoned.

I can...

- ☐ I can explain that people earn money by working.
- ☐ I can name different jobs and say what people do in them.
- ☐ I can explain why money can run out.

Key words

Earn: to get money for doing work.

Job: work that a person does to earn money.

Cash machine: a machine that gives you money from your own bank account.

1 True or false?

4 points

Kai thinks money lives in the wall! Circle True or False.

Many grown-ups earn money by doing a job.	True	False

A cash machine gives free money to anyone. **It only gives out money that is already in your account.**	True	**False**
Money can run out.	**True**	False
Everyone does the same job. **People do lots of different jobs.**	True	**False**

2 Who does what?

5 points

Draw a line from each job to what the person does.

Nurse	Looks after people who are ill
Bus driver	Takes people where they need to go
Baker	Makes bread and cakes
Teacher	Helps children learn
Builder	Builds houses

3 Paid or not paid?

6 points

Some work is a paid job. Some work is done for free, to be kind. Write each one in the right box.

Cooking in a café · **Giving out drinks at a charity fun run** · **Cutting hair at a hairdresser's** · **Helping a friend who fell over** · **Reading to your little sister** · **Delivering parcels**

A paid job	Done for free
Cutting hair at a hairdresser's	Helping a friend who fell over
Delivering parcels	Reading to your little sister
Cooking in a café	Giving out drinks at a charity fun run

4 Earning it yourself

8 points

Children can earn money too, with a grown-up's help. Show your working in the box.

a) Kai washes the car 3 times. He earns £2 each time. How much does he earn?

Working

3 × £2 = £6

Answer: £6

b) Maya sells 5 old books for £1 each. How much does she earn?

Working

5 × £1 = £5

Answer: £5

c) Kai has £6. He earns £4 more for helping in the garden. How much has he got now?

Working

£6 + £4 = £10

Answer: £10

d) A football costs £12. Kai has £10. How much more does he need to earn?

Working

£12 – £10 = £2

Answer: £2

5 Odd one out

2 points

Three of these are ways to earn money. Circle the odd one out and say why.

Doing a job | Selling old toys | Washing cars | **Wishing for it**

Why? Wishing does not earn money. The others are ways to earn it.

6 Kai and the cash machine

4 points

Read the story, then answer the questions.



Kai and his mum are at the cash machine. Mum has **£40** in her bank account. She earned it at her job. She takes out **£10**. Kai says, "Take out £100! The machine is full of money!"

a) How did Mum get the money in her bank account? 1 mark

She earned it by working at her job.

b) Mum takes out £10. How much is left in her bank account? 1 mark

£30 (£40 – £10 = £30).

c) Why can Mum not take out £100? 2 marks

She only has £40 in her account. A cash machine only gives out money that is already in your bank account.

7 What would you do?

3 points

You want a book that costs £6. You have no money yet. What could you do to earn the money? Why is that a good idea?

> **Pupil's own idea with a reason. For example: do extra jobs at home, or sell old toys or books with a grown-up's help. Look for an idea that is safe and involves a trusted adult.**

8 Before you go

One thing I learned today	One question I still have	How sure do I feel?
		Not yet · Getting there · Got it



Take it home

Ask a grown-up you know about a job they do, or used to do. What did they do all day? What did they like best about it?

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