



## Age 3 and up

**Paddy's Pay Day** by Alexandra Day. Penguin Group, 1989. Paddy is a dog who does circus acts. On his day off, he goes shopping. You can tell what's important to Paddy by what he buys with the money he earned.

**Tom And Annie Go Shopping** by Barry Smith. Houghton Mifflin, 1988. Tom and Annie go shopping for a lot of items. This book asks you to find the items on the shelves. Shopping isn't as easy as it looks.

## Age 4 and up

**The Berenstain Bears Get The Gimmes** by Jan and Stan Berenstain. Random House, 1988. Can Mama and Papa Bear find a way to keep the cubs from begging at the store?

**The Berenstain Bears' Trouble With Money** by Jan and Stan Berenstain. Random House, 1983. Brother and sister Bear spend money as soon as they get it. Mama and Papa Bear want the cubs to understand that there is more to know about money than just how to spend it.

**Carl Goes Shopping** by Alexandra Day. Harper & Collins, 1989. A dog named Carl goes to the store with his master. He watches the baby while the master goes shopping. Carl cares for the baby as they explore different parts of the store.

**Curious George At The Laundromat** by Margret Rey. Houghton Mifflin, 1987. George tries to use the washing machine and makes a mess.

**Just Shopping With Mom** by Mercer Mayer. Western, 1989. Mom shops with three youngsters. One has trouble accepting "no" for an answer.

**Mrs. Pirate** by Nick Sharratt. Candlewick Press, 1994. Mrs. Pirate goes shopping. She buys items for the ship. This is a great book for children who are just starting to read.

**My First Job** by Julia Allen. Aro Publishing, 1987. A small boy is asked to perform his first household jobs. Dimes and feelings of success are his rewards.

## Age 5 and up

**A Quarter From The Tooth Fairy** by Caren Holtzman. Scholastic Inc., 1995. A boy tries to figure out how to spend the money he got from the tooth fairy. This book has notes in the front for adults and activities in the back for kids.

**Alexander, Who Used To Be Rich Last Sunday** by Judith Viorst. Atheneum, 1978. Alexander started the week as a rich young man. There are so many things he could do with a dollar. The money begins to slip away.

**Brothers** by Florence B. Freedman. Harper and Row, 1985. Two brothers inherit their father's land and split it evenly. Find out how they make their father's wish come true.

**Something Special For Me** by Vera B. Williams. Greenwillow Books, 1983. Rosa can't make up her mind. After a long day of shopping, she finally finds the gift she wants.



**The Gold Coin** by Alma F. Ada. Atheneum, 1991. This is a picture book based on a Spanish folk tale. Juan is a thief who wants to steal Doña Josefa's gold coin. As he travels to find her, he meets farmers and villagers who need his help with their chores. By the times he finds Doña Josefa, he has found another type of treasure. Find out what treasure Juan finds.

## **Age 6 and up**

**A Chair For My Mother** by Vera B. Williams. Greenwillow Books, 1982. A family loses all their furniture in a fire. They set a goal to buy a chair for mother. Find out how the family, neighbors and friends work together for success.

**A Job For Jenny Archer** by Ellen Conford. Little, Brown, 1988. Jenny wants to buy her Mom a fur coat. She tries many ways to earn money. Instead of a coat, Jenny finds the perfect gift in a most unlikely place.

**Arthur's Pet Business** by Marc Brown. Little, Brown, 1990. Arthur wants a pet. His parents doubt he can take care of one. Arthur starts a pet business to prove his parents wrong.

**Bea And Mr. Jones** by Amy Schwarz. Bradbury, 1982. Bea and her father switch places. He goes to school. She goes to work.

**The Gift** by Aliana Brodmann. Simon and Schuster, 1993. A young girl cannot decide what to buy with her Hanukkah money. Her decision is touching and surprising.

**Isabel's Car Wash** by Shelia Bair. Albert Whitman & Company, 2008. Isabel decides to start a car wash business so she can purchase The Nelly Longhair doll, which is on sale at Murphy's Toys for ten dollars.

**Jerome The Babysitter** by Eileen Christelow. Clarion, 1985. Jerome goes on his first baby-sitting job. The kids play tricks on him. Jerome is surprised when he gets them all to bed.

**My Rows and Piles of Coins** by Tololwa M. Mollel. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Clarion Books (1999). Saruni saves money he receives from helping his mother work in the marketplace. His goal is to save enough money to buy a bicycle, so that he can better help his mother carry food to the marketplace. Concepts: Savings, Goal Setting, Prioritizing and Recognizing Success.

**Pedrito's Day** by Luis Garay. Illustrated by Monica Hughes. Orchard's Books (1997). Pedrito works to make money to buy a bicycle to help his mother at the marketplace. He helps his aunt with work, but makes a mistake and loses her money. He then finds a way to fix his mistake. Concepts: Savings, Goal Setting, Problem Solving and Recognizing Success.

**Yard Sale** by James Stevenson. Greenwillow, 1994. The characters in this book sell one another all sorts of items at the local yard sale. Unfortunately money isn't there only motivation.

## **Age 8 and up**

**Chicken Sunday** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel Books, 1992. To thank old Eula for her wonderful chicken dinners, the children sell decorated eggs and buy her a beautiful Easter hat.

**The Rag Coat** by Lauren A. Mills. Little Brown, 1991. Minna proudly wears her new coat of clothing scraps to school, where the other children laugh at her until she tells them the stories behind the scraps.

**Rock, Brock, and the Savings Shock** by Shelia Bair. Albert Whitman & Company, 2006. Twin brothers accept a savings challenge proposed by their grandfather.



## **Age 9 and up**

**All The Money In The World** by Bill Brittain. HarperCollins, 1979. A young boy's wish for all the money in the world comes true. The boy finds out that having all the money in the world isn't as fun as he thought.

**Jefferson** by Mary Frances Shura. Dodd, 1984. Jefferson's family doesn't have enough money to give him a birthday party. The neighborhood kids earn money for a party.

**Lawn Boy** by Gary Paulsen. Wendy Lamb Books, 2007. An ordinary preteen with an old riding lawn mower makes the dizzying ascent up the financial ladder so he can buy a new inner tube for his bike.

**Not for a Billion Gazillion Dollars** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1989. Matthew embarks upon a frenzy of fundraising after his parents refuse to buy him the nifty computer program he wants.

**Project Wheels** by Jacqueline Turner Banks. Houghton Mifflin, 1993. Angela and her friends raise money. They want to help a classmate buy a wheelchair. Angela begins to see that she and her friends are growing-up.

**Tarantula Shoes** by Tom Birdseye. Puffin, 1996. After working odd jobs, Ryan decides to showcase his pet tarantula to earn enough money to buy expensive basketball shoes.

**Tybee Trimble's Hard Times** by Lila Perl. Clarion, 1984. Tybee wants to go to the circus, but there's no extra money. Should she go alone if she earns the money for a ticket?

## **Age 10 and up**

**First Things First** by Kristi D. Holl. Atheneum, 1986. Shelly's mom and dad can't pay for summer camp this year. Shelly spends her summer earning money. She finds out what is important to her.

**How To Get Fabulously Rich** by Thomas Rockwell. Watts, 1990. Billy wins a lot of money. Everyone he knows wants some of the money. He wonders if winning was worth it.

**Kid Power** by Susan Beth Pfeffer. Watts, 1977. Janice has a summer business doing odd jobs. She ends up with more jobs than she can handle. She hires other kids to work for her.

**Kid Power Strikes Back** by Susan Beth Pfeffer. Watts, 1984. Janice's summer business ends when school starts. She begins to miss the money she made. Find out what she does.

**Mall Mania** by Betsy Haynes. Bantam Skylark, 1991. Beth borrows a friend's credit card and goes on a shopping spree at the mall. She gets deeply into debt and must find a way out.

**Oliver Dibbs To The Rescue** by Barbara Steiner. Four Winds, 1985. Oliver and his brother think about ways to earn money. They want to use the money to help protect animals.

**The Toothpaste Millionaire** by Jean Merrill. Houghton Mifflin, 1972. Rufus makes his own toothpaste. He starts selling it and makes money. His friends help him make his business something great.

## **Age 13 and up**



**Jason And The Money Tree** by Sonia Levitan. Harcourt Brace, 1974. Jason plants a ten dollar bill. It grows into a money tree. He gets into some situations that help him learn about life.

**Seventeen Against The Dealer** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1989. Dacey uses her money to open a boat shop. When she tries to build her own boat, she ends up in situations she never imagined.

**Shadow In The North** by Philip Pullman. Knopf, 1988. Sally's business causes a client to lose money. She tries to find out why and is drawn into a complex plot.

## **All ages**

**The Everything Kids' Money Book - Learn All About Money!** (Everything Kids Series) (Paperback) by Diane Mayr. The Everything Kids Series has recently been re-launched and they are still packed with tons of activities and puzzles! The book explores the history of money, how to make money, and what to do with the money once you've earned it.

**The Giving Tree** by Shel Silverstein. Harper and Row, 1964. This is a sensitive tale of giving (and taking) until there is no more to give — or so it seems.

**The Treasure** by Uri Shulevitz. McGraw-Hill Ryerson, 1978. This story is based on an old Hebrew folk tale. Follow Isaac as his dreams lead him on a treasure hunt in the city. He finds no treasure until he returns home.

## **Resource Books To Help Teach Children About Money**

**Economics And The Consumer** by M. Barbara Killen. Lerner, 1990. This book looks at the important role of the consumer. It explains how every time we buy something we also send a message to the economic system. The author makes difficult economic plans easy to understand. She also gives advice on spending and borrowing money.

**How To Teach Children About Money** by Peggy Houser and Hassell Bradley (1989). An adult guide to help teach your children about earning, saving and spending their money. A children's book is included. Both books have games and other fun activities.

**The Kids Guide To Money** by Steve Otfinoski. Scholastic, 1996. This book explains how children can earn, save and get the most value for their money. Information about sharing money and time through volunteer work is included.

**Kids, Money And Values** by Patricia Schiff Estess and Irving Barocas. Betterway, 1994. This book is about teaching children good habits and attitudes to help them manage money. Activities and sample forms are found throughout this book.

**Making Cents** by Elizabeth Wilkinson. Little, Brown, 1989. What can kids do to make money in their spare time? This book helps children learn that "work" does not mean doing things that they do not enjoy.

**Money Doesn't Grow On Trees: A Parent's Guide to Raising Financially Responsible Children** by Neale S. Godfrey & Carolina Edwards. Simon and Schuster, 1994. This book is aimed at preschoolers to teens. All age groups can learn lessons about earning, saving and spending money. Real-life examples help parents teach values along with money concepts.

**Money-Smart Kids (and parents, too!)** by Janet Bodnar. Kiplinger, 1993. Dr. Tightwad shows parents how they can turn their children into super savers and smart shoppers. Children learn how money works and how to tell wants from needs. This book can teach parents how to help their children and themselves.



## [PUEBLO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES FCU: CHILDREN'S BOOKS ABOUT MONEY]

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**Raising Happy Kids On A Reasonable Budget** by Patricia Gallagher. Betterway, 1993. This book has advice from parents who are trying to stretch their money. The book has eight chapters that give money-saving advice on ways to feed, clothe and care for your family.

**Raising Money-Wise Kids** by Judith Briles. Northfield, 1996. This book was written for parents of preschoolers to teens. It is loaded with useful tips and quizzes that will help parents teach their children about money issues.