Kindergarten

Financial Literacy

Lesson 6
Classroom Economy
Learning Target: I can experience and explain the relationship between work and earning money.
Essential Question

How do I earn money to buy things I need or want?
Key Vocabulary

earn
buy
spend
Let’s focus our learning!

What does Elmo want to know?

Why does Elmo help Luis?
Why do people need money?
How do people get money?
People use money to **buy** things they need and want.
Many community helpers earn money for the work that they do.
How can we practice this in our classroom?
thanks.
Slide 9: Set Up a Classroom Economy

Allow students to earn money/points/stickers (whatever works for your classroom) by completing classroom jobs (picking up, cleaning desks, arranging books). Give different jobs different values. At the end of whatever time period is appropriate for your class, allow students to purchase items from the store (assuming your class has one) with the "money" they earned. A makeshift store might contain art supplies, treats, or books. Alternatively, points could be spent on timed activities, such as extra recess. This can be continued throughout the remainder of the school year.