

The Money Show

Money dominates our society more than any other thing. How to get it, how to spend it, what you can buy, how it makes you feel, how other people judge you are all ways that money affects all of us. And yet, money is probably the most misunderstood, mishandled and seldom taught of all the skills someone will need.

Financial illiteracy is at an all time high. People don't understand how to balance a checkbook, what interest is, even how stocks and bonds work. Most people are too embarrassed to seek help and education about money until they are in trouble with their finances.

The Money Show addresses the issue of early financial education. We provide in a fun and interactive way an introduction to money and finances. The show starts with the beginnings of money—bartering. Two children are dressed up as a cave boy and cave girl, and they learn how to barter for the things they want from each

other. This silly little play teaches about the history of money, barter, supply and demand, and the concept of exchange.

The Money Show continues with magic tricks and theatrical examples of financial concepts. Interest, loans, credit cards and ATM cards are all covered.

The overall goal of The Money Show is to teach the concept that we earn money to be able to save money, to be able to spend money, and to be able to share money. The idea that we all have a shared responsibility of sharing our money with those who are in need is also stressed during the show. Allowances, wanting things, and how we can get them are also covered. The Money Show is a wacky and fun introduction to the world of money that hopefully helps open the door for continued financial knowledge and learning.

"I finally understand! There's no supply unless I meet HER demands!"

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Description & Requirements

- The Money Show is from 45 minutes to one hour in length.
- It is suitable for children Pre-Kindergarten to 5th grade.
- Six foot tall dollar bills and four foot round coins are just a few of the set pieces that make up the Money Show backdrop which can be up to 18 feet long by 15 feet high.
- Sound system, if needed, and all props are provided.
- The school is required to provide one 6', 8' or 10' table, two 110 volt/ 20 amp circuits close to the performance area and an adult-size chair.
- The Money Show can be performed on a stage if steps to the front of the stage are provided or can be presented at floor level.
- Children can be seated on the floor or in chairs.
- Money Show worksheets, suggested lesson plans and activities are also provided for teachers.

For more information or to schedule a program, please call or write:



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