

Module 3

Budgeting – managing your money

OVERVIEW

Module 3 aims to equip students with the skills to manage their finances by creating and implementing a personal budget.

ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS

- Managing your income requires a plan.
- Personal values and goals should be considered when developing a successful budget.
- Budgeting is an essential life-time skill.
- There is assistance available for budgeting.
- A budget should balance the income earned with the amount spent and saved.
- A budget should be based on an accurate record of expenditure.
- A budget should be evaluated and adjusted regularly to meet changing circumstances.
- Financial records are required to monitor a budget.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students:

- Define a budget and its components, and explain its use
- Be aware of important budgeting terminology
- Prepare a personal financial budget that considers the expenditure incurred over a 12 month period
- Consider the role of short term and long term goals in the budgeting process as well as the importance visualisation of goals can play in achieving these goals sooner
- Locate and use websites with calculators and other tools which assist in the preparation of personal budgets
- Modify a budget in terms of additional expenditure or the need to repay debt
- Recognise the role of savings in a budget
- Implement a monitoring system for a budget
- Understand the role played by financial counsellors in helping those people experiencing financial difficulties

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POWER WORDS

As students work through each topic in this module they will encounter words that may be new to them, crucial to understanding and completing the worksheets, and/or difficult to spell. In addition, students may simply find some of this vocabulary interesting, planning to use it in the future. Understanding and being able to use these words will provide students with more power to make future financial decisions.

There are several approaches to using this "glossary". The intention is for students to investigate and find the meanings. They could be given the complete list before they start the module, or they could set up a table and add new words as they progress through the activities. There are also specific POWER WORD activities in some topics.

This list is not exhaustive.

| Term | Financial counsellor |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| annum | FOS |
| average | goal |
| Budget | income |
| capital | inflation |
| commitment | insurance |
| consequence | Interest - compound |
| counsellor | Interest - simple |
| Creditor | monitor |
| debt | mortgage |
| Department of Human Services | ombudsman |
| deposit | option |
| depreciation | overdrawn |
| Direct payment | Plan |
| Down payment | priority |
| encumbrance | Repayment |
| equity | salary |
| expenses - fixed | shopaholic |
| expenses - variable | utilities |
| Financial advisor | wage |

Teacher Notes



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CURRICULUM MAPPING

LITERACY YEAR 9 Creating texts g

ENGLISH

 Create imaginative, informative and persuasive texts that present appoint of view and advance or illustrate arguments, including texts that integrate visual, print and/or audio features

MATHEMATICS

NUMBER & ALGEBRA YR 8 Money & financial mathematics

 Solve problems involving profit & loss, with and without digital technologies (ACMNA189)

GENERAL CAPABILITIES

NUMERACY

ESTIMATING & CALCULATING WITH WHOLE NUMBERS

Use money

• Evaluate financial plans to support specific financial goals (ACMNA211)

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY CAPABILITY

Investigating with ICT

Define & plan information searches

 Select and use a range of ICT independently and collaboratively, analyse information to frame questions and plan search strategies or data generation

Creating with ICT

Generate ideas, plans & processes

 Select and use ICT to articulate ideas and concepts, and plan the development of complex solutions (ACELY1751)

CRITICAL & CREATIVE THINKING Reflecting on thinking and processes

Think about thinking (metacognition)

 Give reasons to support their thinking, and address opposing viewpoints and possible weaknesses in their own positions (ACELT1640, ACMSP247)

PERSONAL & SOCIAL CAPABILITY Self-Management

Develop self-discipline and set goals

 Establish personal priorities, manage resources effectively and demonstrate initiative to achieve personal goals and learning outcomes (ACELY1756)



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NCFLF DIMENSIONS

Knowledge & Understanding

- Identify and explain strategies to manage personal finances.
- Explain the different ways in which people are paid including wages, salaries, commissions, selfemployment and government benefits.
- Identify and explain common terminology and categories for deductions used on pay slips.

Competence

• Investigate the financial decisions required at significant life-stage events

Responsibility & Enterprise

- Appreciate that there is often no one right answer in making financial decisions because these depend on individual circumstance, preferences and values
- Demonstrate awareness that family, community and socio-cultural values and customs can influence consumer behaviour and financial decision-making.