## Can't We Just Print More Money?



## Lesson 1: Preparing a presentation

## Chapter Focus

Chapter 1: Where does my breakfast come from? Pages 17-41
Learning objective(s)

- To explore the key ideas of the chapter
- To understand more about our decision making and choices
- To work in a group on a collaborative research and planning task


## Learning outcome(s)

## Success criteria:

To take part in a successful group planning exercise and present back our ideas (Curriculum Focus: Speaking and Listening)

| Key vocabulary | Getting started: |
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| Decision <br> Budget <br> Constraint <br> Consumer <br> Microcosm <br> Trade-off <br> Utility | Display Slides 1 and 2 to introduce the topic and then share the Lesson <br> Objectives with the class. <br> Distribute the Lesson 1 Worksheet and then ask students to complete the <br> starter task on Slide 3 individually to consider the factors that govern our <br> decision making through the breakfast menu exercise. This also creates a <br> numeracy opportunity. Take some feedback on the factors which governed <br> their choices. <br> Broaden this out using Slide 4. Ask students to make notes on the different <br> types of decisions they must make in a typical day. You might reflect on the <br> volume of these and the types of decisions that are relevant to the age group. <br> Are there any key decisions that are taken out of their hands e.g. by <br> parents/carers/teachers? |


|  | Development learning: |
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|  | Display Slide 5. With a focus on the Lesson 1 Worksheet, ask students to <br> work in pairs to read the extract which is broken down into bite-sized chunks <br> with discussion points. Allow students 10-15 minutes to read and <br> Think/Pair/Share their thoughts on the discussion prompts. Invite students to <br> make notes of their key ideas to share back in a plenary. <br> Use Slide 6 to highlight the key plenary question. Invite students to think <br> about the concept of 'utility' from the extract. What do they understand by the <br> term? What do they understand about the 'value' of their choices? Encourage <br> students to reflect on how satisfaction and beneficial feelings are not always <br> material - take examples from students' prior discussion where possible. You <br> could link this to the time/effort students choose to spend on <br> revision/preparation for final examinations and their hopes as to the benefits <br> this will bring them. |
| Consolidation of learning: |  |
| Organise students into small working groups of four or five perhaps with <br> sugar or flip chart paper, marker pens and, if possible, access to ICT facilities <br> for research purposes. Display Slide 7 and present the group research and <br> planning task. <br> Encourage purposeful discussion linked to the bullet points which invite <br> students to reflect on the key concepts outlined in the chapter: decision making, <br> constraints and utility. <br> Students could use ICT facilities to research for example, the cost of coach hire <br> versus train travel of the use of school mini buses; entrance fees to theme <br> parks or other attractions - are there places that could be visited for free? <br> Allow some time for discussion and research before asking students to create <br> a short presentation of their proposals which could be done on flip charts, <br> sugar paper, interactive whiteboard or with PowerPoint depending on time <br> available. <br> Allow each group to present back their proposal in turn. Encourage respectful <br> listening. <br> Plenary: <br> In a final plenary ask students to reflect on the presentations and choose/vote <br> for the most successful idea using a hands up poll or a post-it note secret <br> ballot. |  |

