





- I. Subject: We are managing our finances.
- II. Objectives

Main objective:

Developing skills of creating a budget.

Other objectives:

- developing students' knowledge on issues like: budget, income, expenditures, surplus, deficit.
- Developing skills of creating and managing family budget.
- making students aware of the importance of planning income and expences of a family.
- III. Methodology:

Doscussion, practical workshop.

IV. Materials:

Work sheets.

- V. Lesson's duration:
- 1. Teacher asks students where people take their money from. Students share their ideas and answers while teacher writes them down on the board. The answers might vary, e.g. salary, pension, donations, benefits, prizes, investments, bank loans, etc.

Next, teacher asks where teenagers take their money from. Students write their answers on the piggy-bank (app. 1). Exemplary answers: pocket money, gifts from family members, salary for petty jobs like: tutoring, helping neighbours, selling school books, handing leaflets, scholarships, etc.

2. Teacher asks students to read a short text (app.2). The text is supposed to make students think how important is good finances managing and that you can't always plan all your expenses, something unexpected can happen.

Key words:

Budget – an estimate of income and expenditure for a set period of time.

Budget surplus – when one's income is bigger than the expenses.

Budget deficit – when one's expenses are bigger the income.

Budget balance – when income equals expenses.

Teacher explains the list of things that you have to take into account while planning the budget.

- expected income
- planned expenses
- deciding on priorities (regular expenses, necessities) as well as "luxurious" things, which means things one can buy later.
- including extra money, e.g. savings for unexpected and unplanned expenses, e.g. fixing washing machine, doctor's appointment, etc.
- after creating the budget one must analyse it in order to make more savings.
- 3. Teacher presents students exemplary monthly budget of Adam (app. 3) and asks students to say what they think about it. Students share their ideas on how to make Adam's expenses smaller and they write it down in the table (app. 3).
- 4. Teacher gives students the material (aap.4). Based on it they will have to create a budget for Novak family. They have to carefully analyse all the necessary expenses. They will also have to think about financial expectations of the family and financial possibilities of the parents. It will make students understand why parents sometimes refuse to buy them things

Appendix 1.



APPENDIX 2.

It's barely half of the month and Janek has already spent all his pocket money. He was very happy when his grandma gave him 50zl as he had to but a gift for his mum's birthday. However, the next day one of Janek's friends was selling Janek's favourite video game for 30zl, Janek simply had to buy it. He decided to but something small for his mum for remaining 20 zl. Later that day Janek was playing a game on his computer till very late at night. He overslept for school next morning so he had to take a bus which cost him 2 zl. In a tuck shop Janek bought a notebook for 1,50zl, a sandwich and soda for another 6zl. After school he went to the library where he found out that he had to pay 5zl for not giving back the books on time. Now he had only 5,50zl for the gift for his mum....

APPENDIX 3.

| Monthly | Together | Adam's | Together | Idea show Adam |
|----------------|----------|-------------------|----------|----------------|
| Adam's income | (in zl) | expenses | (in zl) | can save some |
| | | | | money |
| - savings from | 30 | - sweets | 20 | |
| previous month | | - cinema | | |
| - pocket money | | - favourite CD | 26 | |
| - doing | 80 | - a gift for his | 40 | |
| shopping for a | 10 | grandma's | | |
| neighbour | | birthday | 25 | |
| - money given | | - Fast food | | |
| by his grandma | 50 | - monthly savings | | |
| | | for a bike | 23 | |
| | | | 30 | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | Together | | Together | |
| | 170 | | 164 | |

Surplus: 6 zł

APPENDIX 4.

Plan a monthly budget for a 4-person Novak family. Choose what to spend money on, plan unexpected expenses as savings.

| Income | Together (in zl) |
|--|------------------|
| Mom's salary | 2500 |
| Dad's salary | 3000 |
| Savings from previous month | 200 |
| Money for letting the garage | 150 |
| Monthly expenses | Together (in zl) |
| Bills: | |
| - rent | 560 |
| - electricity, gas | 200 |
| - TV, phones | 120 |
| - monthly ticket | 80 |
| - instalment for washing machine | 150 |
| - mortgage | 650 |
| Petrol | 500 |
| Food | 900 |
| Cosmetics, cleaning supplies | 90 |
| Children's pocket money | 200 |
| English lessons for daughter | 160 |
| AIKIDO trainings for son | 120 |
| Savings for holidays | 200 |
| Savings for daughter's college | 200 |
| Extra spendings | Together (in zl) |
| Winter jacket for daughter | 150 |
| Fashionable shoes for son | 250 |
| Mum's visit at hairdresser's | 70 |
| Dash cam | 130 |
| Son's school trip | 150 |
| Gift for grandparents' wedding anniversary | 120 |
| Theatre ticket for mum | 80 |
| Language cam for daughter | 1500 |
| Birthday present for son's friend | 40 |
| Appointment at the dentist's | 100 |
| School book for daughter | 40 |
| Warm gloves for dad | 60 |
| New handbag for mum | 90 |