

Money Monsters Learn About Giving



Welcome

Meet the Money Monsters! They're a group of creatures who are new to our universe.

That means they need to learn about many important things like school, friendship, and financial literacy. Financial literacy is when you have the knowledge and skills to make money choices that are right for you.

The Money Monsters stories will introduce you to ideas, habits, and activities that you'll need as you grow up and start to manage your own money.

The Money Monsters have a lot to learn and we hope you'll learn a lot from them, too!



One day, Foozil went to her best friend Gibbins's house to visit.

When Foozil arrived, Gibbins was busy cleaning his room.

"Wow, Gibbins," she said, looking around the room. "You have a lot of stuff!"

"I know. I sold some of my things when I was saving money for my bike, but I still have more," Gibbins sighed as he picked up a toy from a pile on the floor.



I don't know what
to do with it all. Should
I throw it away?

Foozil shook her head.

No way!



There are a lot of places where you can donate nice things you don't need any more.

What does donate mean?

It means to give something to a person or group that can use it.

Gibbins was puzzled.

"You mean when I gave you my crayons at school yesterday, I donated them to you?"

"No, I just borrowed your crayons and then gave them back to you," Foozil explained.



When you donate something, you give it away for good.

"Oh, I get it!"
Gibbins nodded.

Like when my family gives food to the food pantry to help people who are hungry.

"Exactly," said Foozil.

We can even donate our time and our money, too. When we donate our time, that's called volunteering.



I volunteer!

I love helping out at the animal rescue where I got my cat Tiger.



"That's great, Gibbins! I want to come volunteer there with you sometime."

"So I already donate my time and now I'm donating some of my things," Gibbins smiled. "I think I like giving!"

"Let's find more places to volunteer and give! We can give throughout the whole year!" exclaimed Gibbins.

"That's a great idea, Gibbins," Foozil said.

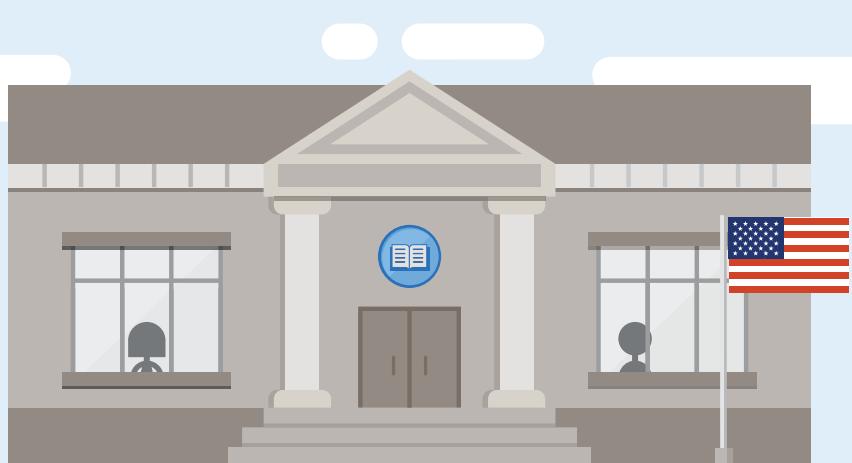
"I'm glad I have such a kind friend!"



What are ways you can give (or donate)?



**Where are some places you can
volunteer and give?**



Meet the Money Monsters

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau created the Money Monsters story series to help children develop financial literacy skills. The stories focus on important money concepts like borrowing, earning, protecting, saving, and spending. The stories are part of a larger set of activities and resources available for elementary school students.

The Money Monster books include:

- ★ **Money Monsters Learn About Careers** – Money Monsters explore careers they may want to have when they grow up.
- ★ **Money Monsters Learn to Become Good Borrowers** – Money Monsters discover how to be responsible with other people's things.
- ★ **Money Monsters Learn to Protect Their Things** – Money Monsters find out why it's important to keep their money and valuables safe.
- ★ **Money Monsters Learn to Save** – Money Monsters practice saving money to buy something special.
- ★ **Money Monsters Learn What Things Really Cost** – Money Monsters compare the amount of work and money different pets need.
- ★ **Money Monsters Learn About Giving** – Money Monsters explore the difference between giving, donating, and sharing.

To find financial literacy activities for elementary school students, go to:
consumerfinance.gov/teach-activities

