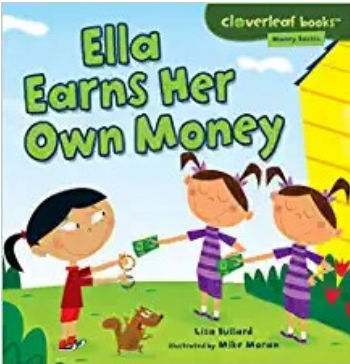


Ella Earns Her Own Money



Author: Lisa Bullard, illus. by Mike Moran

Book Summary: "Ella really wants a soccer ball. But she doesn't have enough money to buy one. So she decides to earn her own money. Ella cleans the car for her mom, gives the neighbor's dog a bath, and sells bracelets to her friends to earn cash. Will she have enough money to buy the ball in the end?"

Ages: 5-8

Length: 24 pages

Grades: K-2

ISBN: 978-1-58246-112-0

Lexile Rating: 490L

Online Read-aloud: [The Bookworms \(4:49\)](#)

[VA Credit Union \(8:30\)](#)

Washington State Financial Education Standards	Grades K-2	Grades 3-5
SS: Spending & Saving CD: Credit & Debt EI: Employment & Income I: Investing RM: Risk Management & Insurance FD: Financial Decision-Making	SS: Develop a plan for spending and saving SS: Apply consumer skills to spending and saving decisions EI: Compare sources of personal income and compensation FD: Make criterion-based financial decisions by systematically considering alternatives and consequences	SS: Develop a plan for spending and saving SS: Apply consumer skills to spending and saving decisions FD: Make criterion-based financial decisions by systematically considering alternatives and consequences
Washington State K-12 SEL Standards and Benchmarks	Self	Social
	Self-Awareness: Benchmark 1B Self-Management: Benchmarks 2A-B Self-Efficacy: Benchmark 3A	Social Awareness: Benchmarks 4A-B

Resource: [Ella Earns Her Own Money Coloring & Writing Pages](#)

Summary: A coloring page and writing prompt sheet.

Grade: Ages 5-8+

Source: [Financial Success for Kids \(VA Credit Union\)](#)

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Lesson: [Ella Earns Her Own Money Resource Relay Race](#)

Summary: Students learn about natural, human, and capital resources, and play an interactive puzzle game in teams of three.

Grade: 3-5

Additional Washington Learning Standards:
Not listed

Source: [EconEdLink](#)

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Lesson: [Money Basics Teaching Guide](#)

Summary: This four-lesson guide takes students through financial education basics. [Lily Learns About Wants and Needs](#) is the only book explicitly included (Lesson 3).

Grade: K-2

Additional Washington Learning Standards:
• ELA: CCRA.1, CCRA.2, CCRA.3

Source: [Lerner Publishing Group](#)

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Lesson: [Earning Money](#)

Summary: (45-60 minutes) Students listen to *Ella Earns Her Own Money* and color pictures showing jobs that kids could do to earn money.

Grade: K-2

Additional Washington Learning Standards:
Not listed

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Resource: [Bouncing Ball Spending Game](#)

Summary: (15-20 minutes) Use a soccer ball in this kinesthetic learning activity where students answer spending questions while tossing a ball in a circle.

Grade: K-5

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