



MONEY



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1 Money adjectives

In pairs, put the adjectives below into the correct categories. Which words are disapproving?

affluent	broke	cheap	generous	giving	hard up
miserly	penniless	penny-pinching	wasteful	wealthy	well-off

1. Having a lot of money: wealthy/ well-off/ affluent
2. Having very little money: hard up/ broke/ penniless
3. Willing to spend money: giving/ generous (pos.)/ wasteful (neg.)
4. Unwilling to spend money: penny-pinching (neg.)/ cheap (neg.)/ miserly (neg.)

How would you describe the following people using the above adjectives?

a typical student	a business tycoon	a refugee
an extravagant celebrity	a philanthropist	a supermarket cashier

2 Value

Put these expressions in order from 1 ('very good value') to 6 ('very bad value'):

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|-----------------|---|----------------------------|---|-------------------|---|
| a bit pricey | 4 | a good deal | 2 | a real bargain | 1 |
| a total rip-off | 6 | reasonable value for money | 3 | way too expensive | 5 |
- to rip someone off**



In pairs, describe the following deals using the expressions:

1. \$100 for a 10-minute taxi ride **rip off/ way too expensive!!!**
2. a meal in your favorite restaurant **good deal, real bargain**
3. \$50 for a night in a 5-star hotel
4. a flight ticket with a budget airline
5. train fares in your country
6. beer or coffee in your hometown (*compare different bars/cafes*)

3

Collocations with 'money'

Complete the collocations. Use a dictionary where necessary.

allocate earn launder set aside squander withdraw

- **set aside** money ⇒ *to save money for a special purpose*
- **squander** money ⇒ *to spend money in a wasteful way*
- **launder** money ⇒ *to make illegal money seem legal*
- **earn** money ⇒ *to receive money as payment for work that you do*
- **withdraw** money ⇒ *to take money out of your bank account*
- **allocate** money ⇒ *to give a share of available money to a person or organization*

In pairs, complete the sentences with the verbs above:

1. The government has decided to **allocate** \$1 billion for improving the country's education system.
2. I'm going to **set aside** \$200 from my weekly wages. After a year, I'll be able to buy a decent car.
3. Carlo used his restaurant to **launder** stolen money.
4. He **squandered** all his savings on parties and vacations.
5. I should **earn** much more money for all the hard work that I do.
6. I need to find an ATM to **withdraw** some money.



4

Idioms with 'money'

In pairs, complete the sentences below with the following words.

easy made mouth rainy trees water

1. Paul must be made of money. Look at his brand new sports car!
2. You keep saying you can beat me. Why don't you put your money where your mouth is?
3. Don't be so wasteful! Money doesn't grow on trees, you know.
4. Save some money for a rainy day. Don't spend it all at once.
5. Some people think running a website is easy money.
6. Julia spends money like water. She goes shopping almost everyday!

Now put each idiom next to its correct meaning:

1. Money is limited. Money doesn't grow on trees
2. Prove yourself with actions, not just words. Put your money where your mouth is
3. spend too much money spend money like water
4. money that you earn with very little work or effort easy money
5. very rich made of money
6. set aside some money for a time when it might be needed save money for a rainy day

In pairs, discuss the questions below:

1. Do you tend to save money for a rainy day or spend it like water?
2. Have you ever told someone to 'put their money where their mouth is'?
3. Are there many people in your country or hometown who are made of money?
4. Can you think of anything that is 'easy money'?



Key

1. Money adjectives

Go through the different adjectives. Explain the differences in meaning, translate or have the students use a dictionary.

Having a lot of money: wealthy, affluent, well-off

Having very little money: hard up, broke, penniless

Willing to spend money: wasteful, generous, giving

Unwilling to spend money: penny-pinching, miserly, cheap

'wasteful', 'penny-pinching', 'miserly', and 'cheap' are all disapproving.

2. Value

Go through the terms and explain any terms the students are unfamiliar with.

1 - a real bargain, 2 - a good deal, 3 - reasonable value for money, 4 - a bit pricey, 5 - way too expensive, 6 - a total rip-off

3. Collocations with 'money'

1. set aside
2. squander
3. launder
4. earn
5. withdraw
6. allocate

Complete the sentences:

1. allocate 2. set aside 3. launder 4. squandered 5. earn 6. withdraw

4. Idioms with 'money'

1. made 2. mouth 3. trees 4. rainy 5. easy 6. water

1. Money doesn't grow on trees.
2. Put your money where your mouth is.
3. spend money like water
4. easy money
5. made of money
6. save some money for a rainy day