



# Teaching Financial Stewardship

**M**oney management is one of the most important things you will ever teach your children. But where do you start? What if you feel completely inexperienced in the area of financial stewardship? And how do you teach complex financial concepts so that even young children can understand them?

Take a deep breath. You can teach your children to manage money, and there are many resources available to help you out. The following list will get you started.

## Financial Literacy Organizations

### **Crown Financial Ministries**

[www.crown.org](http://www.crown.org)  
800-722-1976

Crown's mission is "equipping people worldwide to learn, apply, and teach God's financial principles so they may know Christ more intimately, be free to serve Him, and help fund the Great Commission."

### **JumpStart! Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy**

[www.jumpstart.org](http://www.jumpstart.org)

The coalition "encourage[s] curriculum enrichment to ensure that basic personal financial management skills are attained during the K-12 educational experience."

### **Practical Money Skills for Life**

[www.practicalmoneyskills.com](http://www.practicalmoneyskills.com)

This is the site of Visa's financial literacy program. It is packed with clear information, calculators, lesson plans, and games—geared toward adults and children.

## Educational Websites

### **Kids' Money**

[www.kidsmoney.org](http://www.kidsmoney.org)

Kid-oriented website with lots of helpful details for parents, as well.

### **MoneyInstructor.com**

Covering everything from basic money skills to careers, this site provides lesson plans, interactive lessons, articles, and links to other websites.

### **MyMoney.gov**

This site's financial education resources include games and lesson plans for children.

### **Thrive by Five**

[www.creditunion.coop/thriveby5](http://www.creditunion.coop/thriveby5)

This section of the Credit Union National Association website helps parents teach their preschoolers about spending and saving.

### **YoungInvestor.com**

Sections for teachers, parents, teenagers, and children contain information and educational activities.



## **Crosswalk.com Finances**

[www.crosswalk.com/finances](http://www.crosswalk.com/finances)

Regularly posted articles address financial principles; a free financial newsletter is also available.

## **“Parental Advice: Readers’ Tips for Teaching Kids the Value of a Dollar”**

*FDIC Consumer News* (Winter 1997/1998)

[www.fdic.gov/CONSUMERS/consumer/news/cnwin9798/advice.html](http://www.fdic.gov/CONSUMERS/consumer/news/cnwin9798/advice.html)

Parents share their strategies for teaching children about money.

## **“Teaching Children about Finances”**

Crown Financial Ministries

[www.crown.org/Library/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=512](http://www.crown.org/Library/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=512)

This article provides a simple overview of teaching your children how to manage money.

## **The Complete Idiot’s Guide to Managing Your Money (4th ed.)**

Robert K. Heady, Christy Heady, and Hugo Ottolenghi

Go to [IdiotsGuides.com](http://IdiotsGuides.com) for more books on personal finance.

## **The Family Financial Workbook: A Practical Guide to Budgeting**

Larry Burkett

## **The New Master Your Money**

Ron Blue and Jeremy White

## **Personal Finance for Dummies (5th ed.)**

Eric Tyson

Other personal finance books are available in the Making and Managing Money section of [Dummies.com](http://Dummies.com).

## **Your Kids Can Master Their Money: Fun Ways to Help Them Learn How**

Ron Blue, Judy Blue, and Jeremy White

## **CASHFLOW for Kids board game**

<https://secure.richdad.com/product.asp?id=E131>

Players learn how to manage their cash flow and keep score with balance sheets.

## **Money Savvy Generation**

[www.msgen.com](http://www.msgen.com)

Offers the Money Savvy Pig, a compartmentalized piggy bank in different colors.



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