



Children's Literature

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Books can improve children's literacy skills and introduce and reinforce economic and personal finance vocabulary and concepts. Use the lesson plans below that accompany the noted children's books in a classroom or at home to help reinforce key concepts to help children better extend the impact of the stories.

Grades Preschool through 5

Mimi's Village

This lesson introduces students to health care practices and services, as well as healthcare professions, including differences across geographic regions and income levels. It also exposes students to African culture and how concepts such as median income and standard of living intersect with economic conditions.

My Papi Has a Motorcycle

This lesson highlights Spanish-language and Hispanic culture, as well as immigration, through a story about a little girl who celebrates the businesses and types of jobs in her community and how they have changed.

The Night Worker

This lesson, based on a children's story, will introduce students to productive resources related to certain jobs and how human capital helps workers perform their jobs. It also focuses on labor-based/trade jobs.

Let Them Play

In this lesson, students will be introduced to the concepts of resources, scarcity, human capital and boycott. After reading a reality-based story about an all-black Little League team that faced racial prejudice, students will determine resources used in the production of baseball-related goods and complete comprehension and analysis-driven activities tied to key vocabulary covered within the lesson.

Bunny Money

In this lesson, students listen to the story of Ruby and Max, two bunnies that go shopping and make spending decisions.

Sweet Potato Pie

This lesson highlights the resources needed for a business and key information entrepreneurs should consider before starting a business.

The Inventor's Secret: What Thomas Edison Told Henry Ford

In this lesson, students will listen to the story of two American innovators Thomas Edison and Henry Ford, and learn how curiosity and determination can lead to the innovation of ideas and products that can improve our quality of life.

Time for Cranberries

In this lesson, students will craft and perfect a definition of “entrepreneur” and make a list of key entrepreneurial characteristics.

Those Shoes

In this lesson, students listen to a story about a boy who wants a certain pair of shoes because his classmates have them.

One Plastic Bag

In this lesson, students will learn about responsible consumption and how the choices we make when disposing of trash can impact the environment.

Isabel's Car Wash

This lesson introduces the roles of entrepreneur and investor in the context of starting a business.

Grades 6-8

Darnell Rock Reporting

Darnell Rock is not the kind of student to volunteer for the school newspaper. In fact, he is one of the students who usually gets into trouble. This lesson introduces students to Darnell's story as he learns about homelessness and how to use his voice to bring about positive changes in his community. The concepts included can be utilized in ELA, social studies, economics, and career pathways.

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Crenshaw

This lesson introduces students to the challenges faced by those who live in poverty due to homelessness, unemployment and/or low-income jobs.

Isabel's Car Wash

This lesson introduces the roles of entrepreneur and investor in the context of starting a business through the book, *Isabel's Car Wash*.

One Plastic Bag

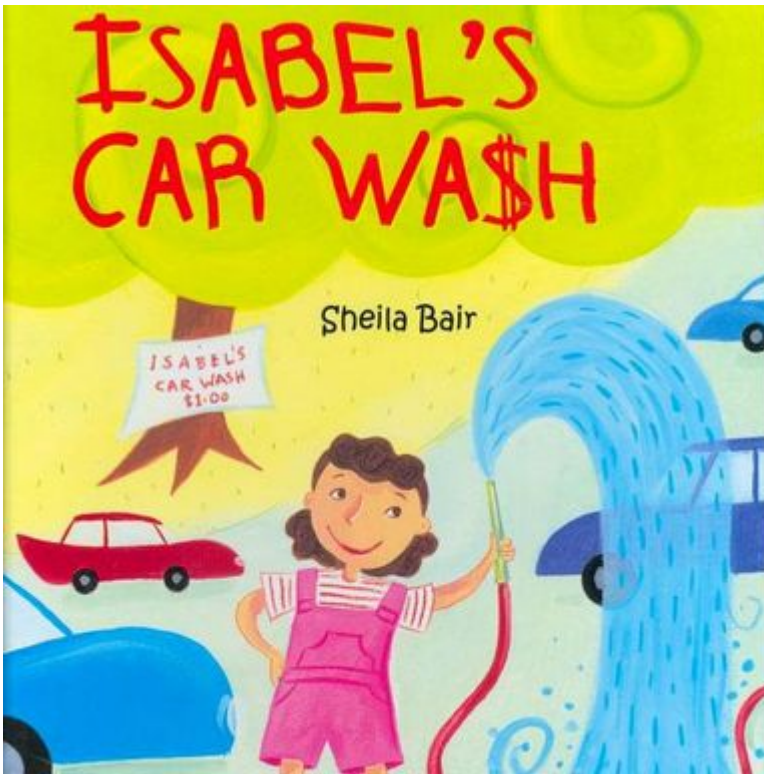
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Grades 9-12

Twenty-two Cents: Muhammad Yunus and the Village Bank

In this lesson, students will explore an array of economic concepts related to entrepreneurship, banking, poverty and economic decision-making through the story of Muhammad Yunus, the founder of Grameen Bank.

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Sweet Potato Pie Lesson Plan Demonstration
<https://youtu.be/Lf-pkb2imbl>