Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to understand the value of money, learn how to save and spend wisely, and have fun exploring different ways to manage money.

Materials and Prep

- Play money (coins and bills)
- 3 jars labeled "Save", "Spend", and "Donate"
- A piggy bank or a clear jar for visual savings
- Paper and pencil

No prior knowledge needed, just bring your curiosity and enthusiasm!

Activities

- Create a pretend store where you can price items and practice making change using play money.
- Start a savings jar and set a goal for something you want to save up for. Decorate the jar to make it fun!
- Play a game where you have to make decisions on how to spend your money wisely. For example, choosing between buying a toy now or saving for a bigger toy later.

Talking Points

- What is money and why is it important?
 - $\circ\,$ "Money is used to buy things we need and want. It helps us trade for goods and services."
- Why is it important to save money?
 - $\circ\,$ "Saving money helps us reach our goals and be prepared for unexpected expenses."
- How can we make wise spending choices?
 - $\circ~$ "We should think about what we really need and what we just want. It's important to prioritize our spending."