

## Module 5

### Lesson 1

#### SB 49

## Money doesn't bring happiness

### Before you start

**What is most important to you: to have lots of money; to be healthy; to have a happy family; or to have a lot of friends?**

### Answers

Students' own answers

**1 Listen to a conversation about money. What three reasons does Dr Zaher Ibrahim give to argue why money doesn't make us happy? Do you agree with him?**

### Audioscript

TV presenter: Social scientists have found that money has very little to do with happiness. Today, Dr Zaher Ibrahim is going to talk to us about money and explain its effect on people. Hello, Dr Ibrahim and welcome to our show! Dr Zaher Ibrahim: Thank you! Well, as you said, money actually brings satisfaction but not happiness. The extraordinary thing is that people seem to know that money won't make them happy. And yet they continue to work hard to earn money they don't

need. They also borrow money from people in order to buy unnecessary things. TV presenter: And, why doesn't money make us happy? Dr Zaher Ibrahim: Well, first, what matters to people is not really how much they earn, but to make more money than other people around them. Second, buying things doesn't make us happier than those who don't. And finally, making money doesn't allow us to have more fun. In fact, people who make a lot of money have to spend more time at work. TV presenter: Then, why do people act as if money makes us happy? Dr Zaher Ibrahim: It's simply because every day we only hear messages telling us that money is good. The messages that tell us that it's OK not to make money the centre of our lives are few and far between. So, we probably save some money, we end up with lots of possessions, but that doesn't mean that these things would make us happy.

### Answers

The three reasons are:

1. People want to make more money than other people around them.
2. Buying things doesn't make us happier than those who don't.
3. Making money doesn't allow us to have more fun.

Students' own answers

**2 Listen to the words below in context. Try to guess their meanings.**

**To borrow   to earn   to save   to make  
(money)   possessions**

**Audioscript**

1. I borrowed money from my brother to buy a new camera.
2. I don't like to take money from my parents. I like to earn it.
3. I'm trying to save money so that I have enough for a new car.
4. Do you want to make money? Then work here. We'll give you great pay.
5. Possessions are important, but having things isn't enough to make you happy.

**3 Listen again to Dr Zaher Ibrahim and complete the sentences using some of the key words from exercise 2.**

1. Although people know that money won't make them happy, they keep working \_\_\_ money they don't need.
2. People continue \_\_\_ money from other people to buy new things.
3. People want \_\_\_ and be richer than the people around them.

4. When we make money the centre of our lives, we end up with a lot of \_\_\_ but feel unhappy.

Answers

1. to earn;

2. to borrow;

3. to make money;

4. possessions

**4 The words in the box relate to money and the positive and negative values that can be associated with it. Find out the meanings for the words and then say whether they are positive or negative.**

Debt	wasteful	sensible	bankrupt	stolen
thrifty	fraud	generous	charitable	greedy

Answers Positive: sensible; thrifty; generous; charitable  
Negative: debt; wasteful; bankrupt; stolen; fraud; greedy

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## Vocabulary

### 1 Complete the sentences with the vocabulary from Module 5.

1. Huda is a m..... . She is very rich, but she still refuses to spend any money on helping children in need.
2. Fadi is so excited about the promotion and raise. He wants to e..... more money in order to buy a laptop for his mother.
3. Nadia took a s..... decision not to eat ice cream until she feels better.
4. Rami is so g..... . Although he got five gifts for his birthday, he still wanted more.
5. When economies collapse, many businesspeople lose all their money and become b..... .

1. miser

2. earn

3. sensible

4. greedy

5. bankrupt

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Lesson 2

Student's Book pages 50-51

A miser's final wish

### Before you start

Do you save some of the money your parents give you or do you spend it all? How do you save it? What do you spend it on?

Answers

Students' own answers

### Reading

1 Read this story. Do you agree with what Mrs Lin did? Why / Why not?

Answers

Students' own answers

2 Listen to the words below in context. Try to guess their meanings.

Miser, bank note, penny, coffin, to lead (a life), ceremony, bank account, cheque

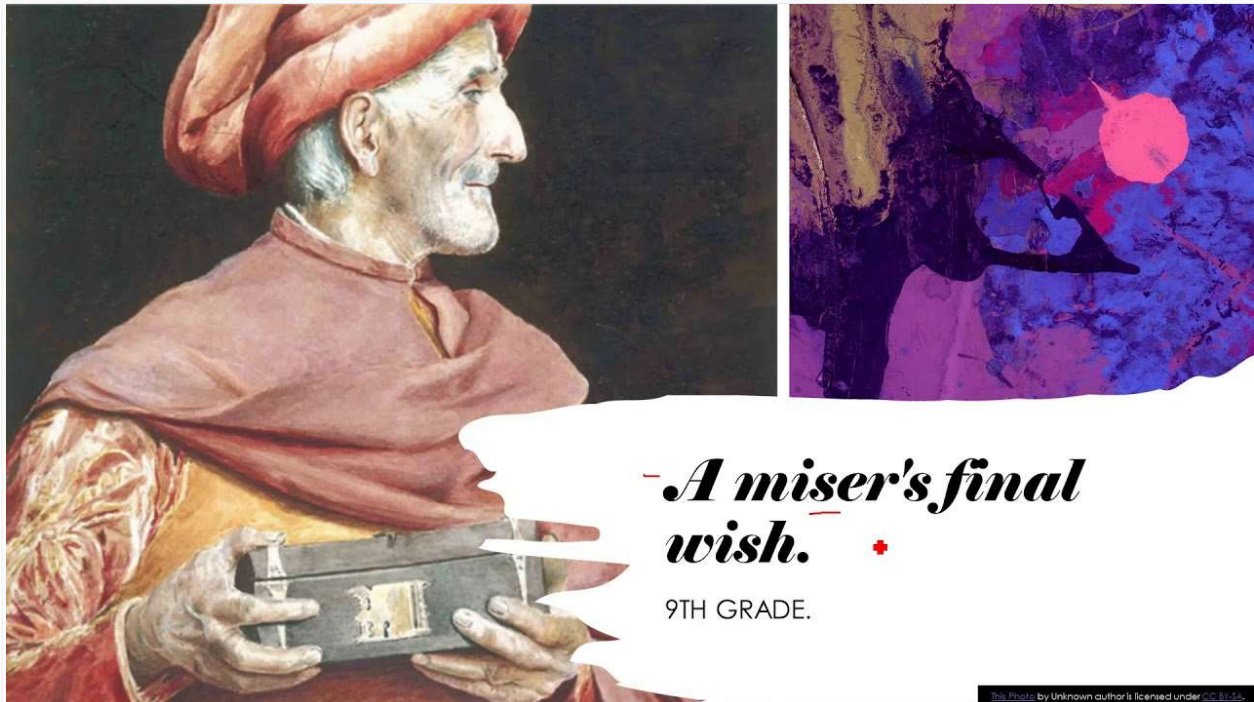
### Audioscript

1. No one likes a miser who never spends any money.
2. Isn't it amazing that one **bank note** can be worth more than lots of coins?
3. This toy is so cheap! It costs only one **penny**.
4. Ancient Egyptian pharaohs were buried in a **coffin** or a box.
5. Adel **leads** a simple life. He doesn't like to show off.

6. A **ceremony** is a good way to celebrate something important.

7. My **bank account** became empty after I spent all that money.

8. Will you take a **cheque**? I don't have any money with me.



Mr Lin was a really hard-working man. Every day, he worked for ten or twelve hours and he slept for just a few. Mr Lin had only one purpose in mind: to make a lot of money, and to spend as little of it as possible. He was a miser.

As he did not trust in banks, Mr Lin kept all of the bank notes that he saved inside shoe boxes. Every night, before going to sleep, Mr Lin sat and looked at his

money. One night, he called his wife and said: "When I die, I want you to take all of my money and place it inside my coffin. I want to take all of my money with me, even the few pennies I have saved."

Mrs Lin, who was a very good wife and loved him in spite of the miserly life he was leading, said: "I promise you that when you die I will put all the money in the coffin with you".

One day Mr Lin died. Mrs Lin was sitting next to her closest friend during the ceremony. When the ceremony finished and before the coffin was closed, Mrs Lin said: "Wait just a minute!" She had a large shoe box with her. She stood up, went to the coffin, and placed the shoe box inside it. Then, the coffin was closed and buried.

Her friend said: "I hope you weren't crazy enough to put all that money in the coffin!" "I'm a good wife," said Mrs Lin, "I promised him that I was going to put his money in that coffin with him, and I did it." "You mean to tell me you put every penny of his money in the coffin with him?" "Of course," said the wife. "I got it all together, put it into my bank account and then wrote him a cheque."

**3 Read the story on page 50 again. Then, answer the following questions.**



1. Do you agree with the statement 'to make a lot of money, and to spend as little of it as possible'? Why / Why not?

2. Do you think Mr Lin was wise enough to know how to use his money? Justify your answer.

Answers

Students' own answers

#### 4 Complete the sentences using one of the options.

1. Mr Lin wanted to have ... money. a. a lot of b. a little c. a few

2. Mr Lin wanted to spend ... money as possible. a. as much b. as little c. a little

3. Mr Lin also kept ... pennies inside the shoe boxes. a. a few b. a little c. many

4. Mrs Lin didn't put ... bank notes inside the coffin. a. a lot of b. a few c. any

Answers

1. a;

2. b;

3. a;

4. c

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### Grammar

#### Quantity words and expressions

2 Complete the passage with the phrases from the box.

a lot of money	a few pennies	some
bread and tea	many hours	much
money	lots of bank notes	a few

I know a man in my neighbourhood who used to be a miser. Every day, Mr Salameh spent (1) ..... many hours after work counting his money, and (2) ..... hours with his family. He didn't have (3) ..... , but his only dream was to save (4) .....

One day, Mr Salameh saw a poor child selling flowers next to his house. The boy was feeling so cold that he couldn't speak. Mr Salameh felt so sad. He brought the child (5) ..... , then went to his bedroom where he kept all the money under the bed. There were (6) ..... and (7) ..... . Mr Salameh realised then how bad he was and decided to become a different person. He didn't want to keep the money for himself anymore and started giving the money he had

saved to charities and poor families. He also started spending more time with his family.

**Answers**

2. a few
3. much money
4. a lot of money
5. some bread and tea
6. lots of bank notes
7. a few pennies

**3 Look at the words in the box and answer the questions.**

bank	note	penny	cheque	bank
	account	gold		

1. Which two are cash?
2. Which two are made of paper?
3. Which two are a deal between two sides?
4. Which two are made of metal?

**Answers**

1. bank note/penny
2. bank note/cheque
3. cheque/bank account
4. penny/gold

**4 Write these nouns in the correct column.**

boat	cheque	traffic	orange	rain	money
				note oil	city

### Answers

Countable nouns	Uncountable nouns
boat, cheque, orange, bank note, city, penny	traffic, rain, money, cheese, orange juice, oil

### 5 Cross out the word that you cannot use in these expressions.

1. We have **any** / **many** / **a few** of the same interests.
2. Can you give me **any** / **a few** / **a little** advice?
3. Be careful when you cross the street. There's **so much** / **so many** / **a lot of** traffic on the roads.
4. I'm not losing **a lot of** / **any** / **too much** weight, so maybe I should do **some** / **a few** / **any** exercise.
5. He's very popular. He's got **many** / **a lot of** / **a lot** friends at school.

### Answers

1. any
2. a few
3. so many
4. any/some
5. a lot

**6 Complete the mini dialogue with any, some, little and much.**

A: How (1) ..... fruit should we eat every day? I haven't had (2) ..... at all today. I'm sure that's not very healthy.

B: No, it isn't. You should eat five portions of fruit and vegetables a day. Have (3) ..... grapes. What would you like to drink? How about (4) ..... orange juice?

A: OK, just a (5) ..... juice, please; I don't usually drink a lot of juice.

**Answers**

1. much

2. any

3. some

4. some

5. little

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