

Balance The Books

Young Enterprise has created a series of board games to help students become more financially capable. Balance The Books teaches students how to record personal financial transactions. Players learn how different situations impact on their financial positions, and collect risk and reward cards.

Student learning

Through Balance The Books, students will:

- › Understand how their savings can grow and shrink.
- › Learn the difference between risk (expenses) and reward (income).
- › Learn about social responsibility and the benefits of unpaid work.
- › Compare and contrast their savings with other players.

Curriculum links

Personal Financial Management is a fundamental part of a young person's education. Balance The Books is designed to support the development of all five key competencies. The game also has strong links to the Social Sciences and Mathematics and Statistics learning areas.



Year 4-6



45 mins



Mathematics and Statistics
Social Sciences



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