**Topic: On the road**

Subtopic 4: Trade with us!

Phase 0: MC a

1. Which of the following sentences is **false**?
2. You can trade lots of different things, such as objects and things that you cannot hold such as a kiss.
3. Sometimes it is easy to get things and sometimes it is difficult.
4. If you trade money, that is called paying.
5. You can trade on your own.
6. Why would you save money but not collect other things?
7. Because you can buy anything with money.
8. Because money fits in a piggy bank.
9. Because money is made from paper.
10. Because you have to bring money to the bank.
11. Complete the sentence: People have to work because…
12. … otherwise they would be bored.
13. … they do not have to go to school anymore.
14. … they need money to pay for everything that they need.
15. … otherwise they have to go to jail.

Phase 1: Lesson a

**Working for a living**

****Why do people work? Do they simply like working or is there another reason?

**We need lots of things!**

We need lots of thing in order to live: air to breathe, water to drink, food to eat and a home to live in. Of all those things, only air is free. We can breathe in as much air as we want and we do not have to pay for it.

**Why do we work?**

We have to pay for all the other things. Everything costs money. People work to earn money. People who work full-time work five days a week for about eight hours a day. That is more time than you are in school!

**Working for free**

Sometimes people work without being paid. Who cooks at home? Who washes the car? Who does the ironing? In most families mum and dad do these things and they are not paid for this.

**Women's work and men's work?**

Women often do more work around the house than men, yet many women also go to work every day. It is not true that all women are better at ironing than men or that women wash the dishes better than men do. Do you think that is fair?

Of course men do some things, but they usually do typically male tasks like cutting the grass or washing the car. Women would be good at these things too, don't you think?

Wouldn't it be better if men and women divided up the household tasks fairly? That way we would all help out and everyone would have enough time to do something fun.

Phase 2: Application a

## How is it written in the text? Link the sentences together.

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| We have to pay for everything that we need to survive, … |  | .… yet most women also go to work every day. (3) |
| Sometimes people work without … |  | … except for the air that we breathe. (1) |
| Women do more work around the house than men, … |  | … so that everyone has enough time to do something fun. (4) |
| It would be better if everyone did an equal amount of household tasks … |  | … being paid. (2) |

Als juist: Good job! You matched all the right sentences! Keep up the good work!

Als fout eerste keer: It is almost correct! Take a good look and try to improve your answer.

Als fout tweede keer: Oops, you didn't get this one right. Look at the correct answer and try to do better next time.

Phase 1: Lesson b

**Who wants to trade?**

Inleiding door avatar: Everyone trades from time to time. Do you know what trading is? Read the text below to find out!

Money is not the only way to pay. People can pay each other in different ways. For example, you can do something for someone or give something in exchange. We call that **trading**.

**What can you trade?** Think about it…

… your dad asks you to go to the store for him and then says "thank you" afterwards.

* You traded the shopping for a 'thank you' from your dad.

… your best friend helps you with arithmetic and you help him with reading and writing.

* You traded math lessons for language lessons.

... a boy keeps a seat free for a pretty girl and gets a smile and a wink in return.

* He traded a seat for a smile and a wink.

**In some situations things become more difficult to get.   
Look what happened with the arithmetic and the reading and writing lessons! Keep in mind the three trade rules.**

Imagine that your friend wants to play outside today. Tomorrow there is an arithmetic test and there's something you don't really understand. It is more difficult to meet your friend right away than if the test was in a week's time and you could meet on a different day.

* **TRADE RULE 1**: If you need something urgently then it becomes more difficult to get because you have less time to look for it or to achieve it.

Imagine that your friend is the only one who is good at arithmetic in the class. Tomorrow there is a test and everyone wants some extra help from your friend because no one but him understands the lesson. You will have to promise your friend something extra in order to be sure that he makes time to explain the lesson to you.

* **TRADE RULE 2**: If you need something very special then it becomes more difficult to get.
* **TRADE RULE 3**: If lots of people want the same thing then it becomes more difficult to get.

Phase 2: Application b

## Which trade rule fits which situation?

In this exercise you will be given a number of situations. A trade rule fits each situation. Drag the trade rules to the correct situation.

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| **Situation** | **Trade rule** | **Place the correct trade rule behind each situation.** |
| **Situation 1**: You need to bring a bike to school tomorrow. You want to borrow one from the neighbours, but they are not home. Time is running out. (trade rule 1) |  | **Trade rule 3**:  If lots of people want the same thing then it becomes more difficult to get. |
| **Situation 2**: Your aunt wants to ride to city hall in a white convertible on her wedding day. Where do you find one of those? (trade rule 2) |  | **Trade rule 1**:  If you need something urgently then it becomes more difficult to get. |
| **Situation 3**: You have wanted a skateboard for a long time but your parents will not buy you one. One classmate has a skateboard but everyone wants to play with it. In order to use the skateboard you must offer your classmate a really good trade, otherwise someone else will be allowed to play with the skateboard. (trade rule 3) |  | **Trade rule 2**:  If you need something that is not easy to find then it becomes more difficult to get. |

Als juist: Good job! You put all the trade rules in the right place! Keep up the good work!

Als fout eerste keer: It is almost correct! A few things are in the wrong place. Try to improve your answer.

Als fout tweede keer: Oops, you didn't get this one right. Look at the correct answer and try to do better next time.

## Give an example of a trade situation from your own life.

Have you ever traded something or would you like to trade something? Think of a situation where you have traded something or want to trade something. Write down that situation. Be sure to write what you want to trade, with whom and what you want in return.

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Phase 1: Lesson c

Why do we use money to pay for things rather than using apples or candy?

**Money is a handy means of exchange**

Money is a handy means of exchange. It ensures that everyone can trade what they want because everyone can use money. You can trade money for apples, a bus ride or a cinema ticket. When you trade something for money then you pay for something. Before people had money, they had to find a trading partner who wanted what they had. For example, if you had an apple tree you had to find someone that wanted apples before you could trade for something. It is different with money. Everyone can use money.

**The trade rules for money**

The trade rules that you just learned also apply to money. We will repeat them once again.

**TRADE RULE 1**: If you need something urgently then it becomes more expensive.

**TRADE RULE 2**: If you need something that is not easy to find then it becomes more expensive.

**TRADE RULE 3**: If lots of people want the same thing then it becomes more expensive.

**Saving**

One advantage of money is that you can save it. You can wait until you have more money before spending it. That is not possible with other means of exchange. You cannot wait a year before trading your apples because they will be rotten. That does not happen with money. Since you can save, it is possible to buy more expensive things such as a PlayStation or a bike. What do you want to save your money for?

Phase 2: Application c

Read the situations. Write the number of the correct trade rule behind each situation.

**TRADE RULE 1**: If you need something urgently then it becomes more expensive.

**TRADE RULE 2**: If you need something that is not easy to find then it becomes more expensive.

**TRADE RULE 3**: If lots of people want the same thing then it becomes more expensive.

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| Situation | Which trade rule? (Write the number) |
| You want to dress up in something really special for carnival: a pineapple. You have already visited several fancy dress costume shops but they do not have a pineapple costume. You get a tip from a friend who knows someone that makes costumes and you decide to order a pineapple costume. The pineapple costume becomes more expensive. | 2 |
| It is really nice weather today. Everyone's going to the beach. You can rent beach chairs there. Because there are so many people at the seaside today, there are not enough chairs for everyone. You really want to rent one. The beach chairs cost a lot of money. | 3 |
| An unknown band put on a concert a few years ago. The tickets were not expensive because very few people knew them. Today that band is very famous. They will be giving a concert in Belgium, which they haven't done for some years. The group is very popular and lots of people want to buy a ticket. Those tickets are much more expensive than a few years ago. | 3 |
| You need an ID card for children when you go on holiday. It takes three weeks to have one made. But you will be leaving in five days! Luckily there is a faster procedure that gives you an ID card in three days. But that procedure costs more. | 1 |

Als juist: Good job! You placed the correct trade rule next to each situation! Keep up the good work!

Als fout eerste keer: It is almost correct! Take a good look and try to improve your answer.

Als fout tweede keer: Oops, you didn't get this one right. Look at the correct answer and try to do better next time.

Phase 3: MC

1. Which trade rule is **incorrect**?
2. If you need something urgently then it becomes more difficult to get.
3. If you need something that is close by then it becomes more difficult to get.
4. If lots of people want the same thing then it becomes more difficult to get.
5. If you need something that is not easy to find then it becomes more difficult to get.

Als juist: Well done! This trade rule is indeed incorrect.

Als fout: That's not right. This trade rule is correct.

1. Why is money the best means of exchange?
2. Because money fits in your wallet.
3. Because you can trade anything for money.
4. Because it is clear how much the money is worth.
5. Because money exists in different colours.

* Als juist: That's right! Well done!
* Als fout: Wrong. Money is the best means of exchange because you can trade anything for money.

1. Complete the sentence: Many women go to work every day but …
2. … when they come home they do nothing.
3. … still do more work around the house than men.
4. … they also want to work around the house.
5. … work less good than men do.

* Als juist: That is indeed correct! Good job!
* Als fout: That's not right. The correct sentence is: Many women go to work every day and still do more work around the house than men.