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"Financial literacy is more than just knowing about money and financial matters and having the skills to work with this knowledge... Students also develop the ability to make informed decisions as consumers and citizens while taking into account the ethical, societal, environmental, and personal aspects of those decisions." - Ontario Curriculum



Race to Red Game

Objective: The first player to get a red wins!

Roll the die, take that many yellow counters and place them on the game board under the yellow column. Once you have 5 yellow counters, trade for 1 blue counter. Once you have 2 blue counters, trade for 1 green counter. Once you have 10 green counters, trade for one red.

Use buttons, Lego blocks, homemade coloured counters, etc.

YELLOW	BLUE	GREEN	RED
5 yellow = 1 blue	2 blue = 1 green	10 green = 1 red	

Source: [Ministry of Education Webinar Financial Literacy](#)

Math Talk

Would You Rather?

Use a coupon worth....

\$25 off
your entire purchase

or

25% off
your entire purchase

Which did you choose?
Explain your reasoning.

Starting a Summer Business



You are starting a summer lawn care business and have set a goal to earn \$1500 by the end of the summer. You charge \$15 an hour to cut the grass, and \$17 an hour to pull weeds. In June you mowed lawns for a total of 35 hours and you pulled weeds for a total of 11 hours. How much more money must you earn to reach your goal?

Watch



Video Link: [Kunu's Basket: A Story from Indian Island](#) by Lee DeCora Francis
Group of Six: [D.I.Y Basket Weaving Activity](#)

- Mumum's first basket bottom took seven times to get right. If Kunu practiced twice each afternoon, how many afternoons would it take him to try seven times?
- Basket makers work long hours but might receive very little compensation. If a basket takes 40 hours to make and sells for \$20, what is the amount earned for each hour worked?
- Making a basket involves steps like preparing strips, weaving, and finishing. If preparation takes 3 days and weaving/finishing takes 5 days, what is the total time in days to make one basket?

Coin Collection

James saves all of the coins he can find. He is very organized so he keeps his collection in separate containers for each type of coin. Each container James has fits 80 coins total.

Here is a picture representing the containers. The shaded part represents how many coins are in each container:

Which container currently holds the most money? How do you know?
Approximately what is the total amount of money James has saved so far?

Source: [WRDSB@Home Online Activities](#)

