Financial Literacy

IIth The most important tool: <u>Budgeting</u>

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-Robert Kiyosaki, Rich Dad Poor Dad



Money grows on skills, not trees.

Objectives for today

- Understand the importance of Financial Literacy.
- Appreciate the extraordinary value of budgeting and saving.
- Evaluate **choices you can make now** for a successful financial future.







"Financial Literacy" means we:

- Effectively manage money
- <u>Continuously</u> acquire financial knowledge and skills to make <u>informed</u> decisions
 - Fulfill personal, family, societal, and governmental **responsibilities**

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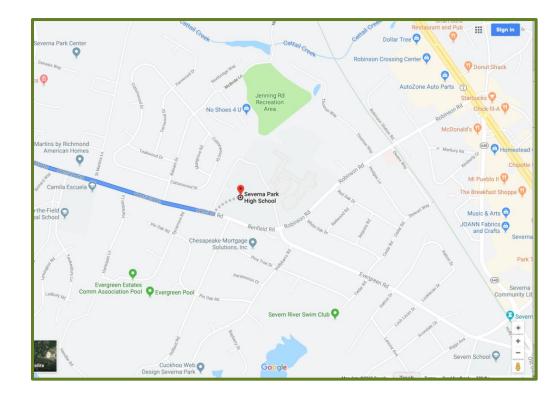
When you're financially literate, you're more likely to:

- Reach your lifetime goals and a better quality of life.
- Reach important every-day and long-term milestones, such as:
 - Choose the right time to **buy something you need** or want
 - Save money for emergencies
 - Pay for post-high school education or college quickly
 - Start a business
 - Live a comfortable retirement
 - Be financially independent and <u>debt-free</u>



What are great reasons to use a <u>map</u>?

- I. To know where you are
- 2. To know where you're going
- 3. To know how and when you'll get there



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How much	do you cost?		
		FUN	
	Estimated Monthly	Movies/Entertain	\$60.00
Category	Expenses	Music	\$20.00
		Snacks/Dining Out	\$40.00
Savings		Friend's Birthdays	\$20.00
Account	\$50.00	Vacation	\$50.00
		SPORTS	
Cell Phone	\$110.00	Registration	
		Fee/Uniform/Equip	\$75.00
CAR		Gym membership	\$25.00
Car Payment	\$250.00	HEALTH & BEAUTY	
Car Insurance	\$150.00	Hair/ Nails	\$45.00
Gas	\$100.00		
		EDUCATION	
		School Fees/Supplies	\$15.00
SHOPPING		Tutoring	\$40.00
Clothes	\$100.00		
Shoes	\$50.00	GRAND TOTAL	\$1200.00



A good budget:

- I. Estimates every dollar that comes in (INCOME)
- 2. Assigns a job to every dollar (SAVINGS and EXPENSES)
- 3. Tracks EVERY DOLLAR: actual income, savings, and expenses and adjusts for unforeseen income and expenses

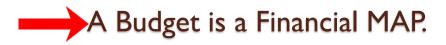


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A good budget

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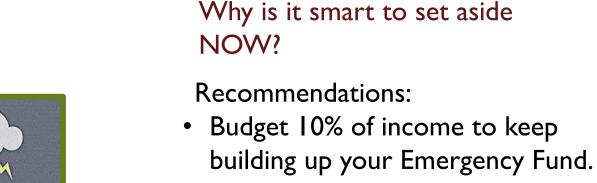
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Did you mention these?

- College extras (like club fees, going out)
- **Investment fund** (YES you can start now.)
- The **PYS Fund:** Pay Yourself First Fund.



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• Keep at least 3-6 months of total expenses in savings.

For what kind of emergencies?

• Refill when used.

Rainy Day fund:





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What do you spend on?



Outline a realistic list of monthly EXPENSES.

These might change month-to month.

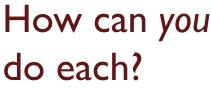


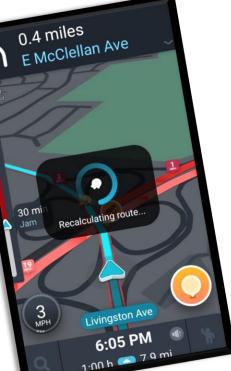


You've tracked EVERY DOLLAR. Oh NO! Your expenses are more than your income this month!! You have these excellent options to solve this common problem.











Set your financial goals to assign a job to every dollar.

Make a list of your short, medium, and long-term goals and set dollar amounts to each.



Saving is part of budgeting! Let's look ahead. What's better?

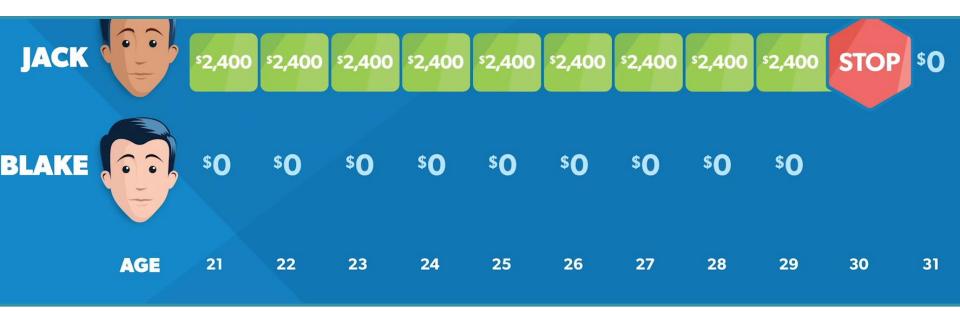
- Save money early, **like** *right now* at your age?
- OR save <u>a lot</u> later when you're older?

Let's look at the story of two old friends, Jack and Blake.



Jack put away **\$200 a month, every month** starting at age 21. Some months it was hard, but he managed it. At age 29, he stopped saving money this way.

Meanwhile, Blake didn't do anything.

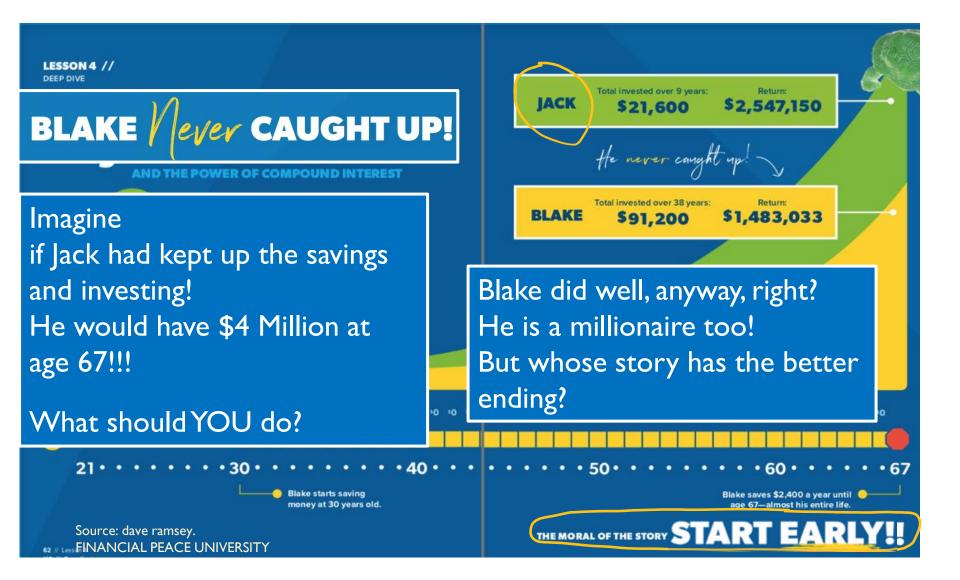


At age 30, Blake realized he'd better start saving. Blake put away \$200 away every month until he turned age 67. Meanwhile, Jack didn't put anything new, having stopped at age 29.

Jack saved this way for just 9 years, for a total of \$21,600. Blake saved for 37 years, for a total of \$91,200.

Who had more money at age 67?









The **<u>budget</u>** is the *map*. You use the map to head to a specified strong future. You are the app/GPS! When there are financial stop-offs, traffic, or obstacles, you make corrections to the route and stay on track. And you keep going until

you've arrived at financial success!

What can I do now to become more financially literate?

- I. Learn to EARN. Get educated to be employable.
- 2. Learn money management skills. Read all you can.
- 3. Live below your means. Pay your expenses in full!
- 4. Save early and often. Pay yourself and your future first!
- 5. Gather information before making decisions and ask questions.
 - Wait at least one night before making major purchase.
- 6. Learn more about **financial success stories.**



What can I do now to become *more* financially literate? For more information go to:

- www.360financialliteracy.org
- www.daveramsey.com/blog
- www.mymoney.gov
- Book: How to turn \$100 to \$1,000,000 Mckenna, Glista, and Fontaine
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