

# Are you a good steward?

(Q) A good steward is somebody who:

- a) cooks apples until they look like mush
- b) takes good care of things they have been asked to look after
- c) likes to make pictures out of beef stew

Where do you think money comes from?



Where do you get money from? (pocket money, doing jobs, birthday present)



Write down or draw the things you like spending your pocket money or birthday money on



## BIBLE BIT

The bible tells us how important it is to take care of what we have been given.

Look at Genesis 2:15 & Matthew 24:14-30

Think about why it is important to take care of the things we have been given

*Give yourself a score out of ten for how well you look after things you have been given.*

/10



*Now give yourself a score out of ten for how good you would like to be at looking after things you've been given.*

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**Turn over to find out how you could be better at looking after the money you have.**

(A) A good steward is somebody who takes good care of things they have been asked to look after. So if you look after your toys nicely, or share out your sweets, or if you look after your money and don't spend it all at once on the first thing you see then you're probably quite a good steward already!

# ACTIVE TIME 1

## Money money money... Spending, Saving, Giving

- Find three jars or boxes and make a label for each one so you end up with a jar for spending money, a jar for saving money and a jar for giving money. You can decorate them and make them look really cool.



- Each time you get your pocket money its important to think about how much of it you are going to spend, how much you want to save and how much you can put aside to give to other people.

Why do you think it's important to Save, Give and Spend wisely?



Can you think of a time when you've saved up for something? What did you save up for and did it take long?



Have you ever given money to someone or something?



# BIBLE BIT

Read the passages below and decide whether you think they help you to think about how you Give, Spend or Save

2 Corinthians 9: 6-12

Luke 15: 13

Matthew 6:1-4

Luke 16: 10-12

- Have a look at the next page. It will help you to think about how you look after your money and you'll be able to see how you can be a better **steward**. Before you start you will need to write down how much pocket money you have for the week.

- My pocket money is £.....p
- If you earn any money by doing jobs write that here: £.....p

- If you get pocket money and earn money you will need to add those numbers together to show how much money you have to spend in one week.

Pocket money ..... + job money .....  
= £.....p



# ACTIVE TIME 2

## PRAYER TIME

Get three bits of paper and a pen

**Giving:** Who is in need? Write a prayer asking god to be with those in need and to help you find ways to give to those who need it.

**Saving:** Why should we save? Write/draw a prayer asking God to help us find ways to save money

**Spending:** What could we spend our money on? Write/draw a prayer asking God to help us spend wisely.

*Then put your prayers in the correct jar*

# The Good Steward Money Sheet

## ACTIVE TIME 2

The bible tells us it's good to give to those who are in need, it's also good to spend our money wisely and save money up. Before we look at how to spend our money wisely its important to decide how much money we want to save and how much we want to give away.

Talk with your parents and decide how much of your money to put in your spending jar, your savings jar and how much money to put in your giving jar.

Once you've done this write it down on the jars opposite, and split your money up into the jars you made earlier

**My Total money  
for the week:**

£.....p

Spending

Savings

Giving



*I have done an example below. I started with £2.00 spending money*

	<b>1. What do I need to buy?</b> Write down what you spend money on in the 'What do I need to buy column'	<b>2. How much will it cost?</b> Then write down how much it will cost to buy the things in the first column	<b>3. How much money will I have left?</b> Take the number in column 2 off your spending money for this week and write it in column 3.
<b>Monday</b>	<i>e.g. sweets, drink</i>	<i>40p, 50p = 90p</i>	<i>£2.00p - 90p = £1.10</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>pen</i>	<i>£1.00</i>	<i>£1.10 - £1.00 = 10p</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>			
<b>Thursday</b>			
<b>Friday</b>			
<b>Saturday</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>			

# ACTIVE TIME3

Use this chart to keep track of what you're saving up for. You can write in what you're saving for and how much you save up each week. After ten weeks you can see how much you've managed to save up.

I am saving for...	week 1	week 2	week 3	week 4	week 5	week 6	week 7	week 8	week 9	week 10	Total so far

# ACTIVE TIME4

Think of ways you could give to other people. Look at some of the ideas and think of some of your own.

As a family sponsor a child from Compassion UK.



Releasing children from poverty  
**Compassion**  
in Jesus' name

Give to your local church and support the work they do.