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Financial literacy for young people

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Financial literacy: What does it mean?

Current situation

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Financial literacy: what does it mean?

Financial literacy in a nutshell

- Having the **knowledge** and the **tools** to make financial decisions and plan for your financial future
- Product knowledge
- Short- and long-term financial goals
- Awareness
- Budgeting
- The list goes on...

In short: Do you know what's going on with your money?



Are you in charge of your finances?

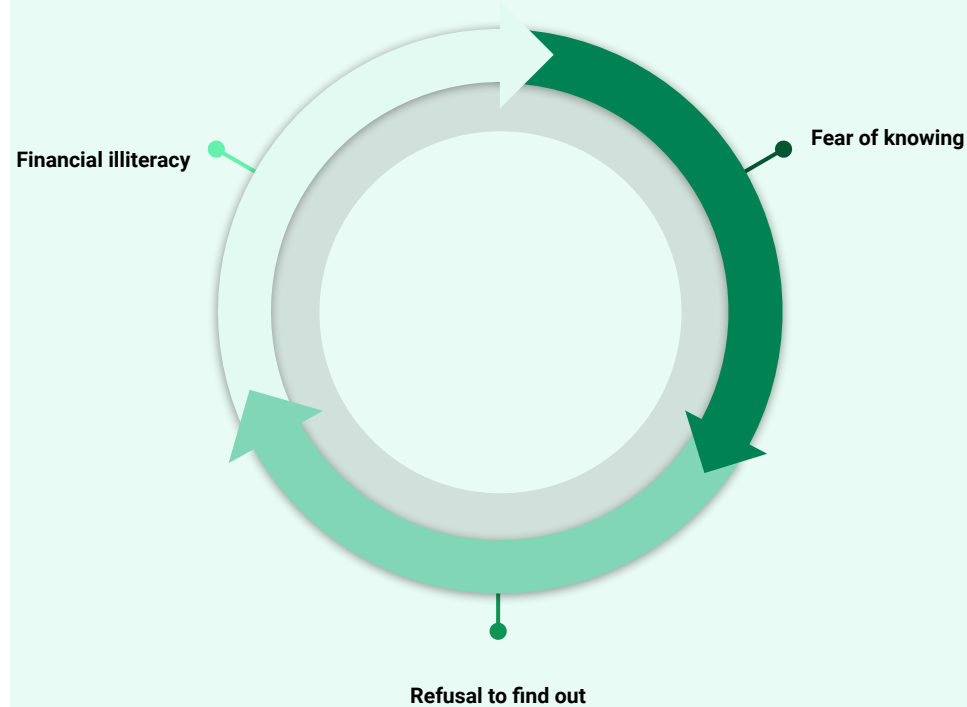
- By the time you're in charge of your finances, it's too late
- There's no test run

The vicious circle of financial illiteracy

If you worry about your money:

- You may not want to find out what's going on with it
- You don't know the whole situation
- You can't make sense of it
- You can't learn
- You stay financially illiterate
- Things can spiral out of control

Knowing your finances and your options is KEY.



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What is the current situation?

Young people don't worry about money.
True or false?

FALSE!

According to the 2021-22 Young Persons' Money Index (UK):

81% of young people are concerned about their personal finances.

72% of young people want more financial education.

25% of young people are teaching themselves about personal finance.

(The London Institute of Banking & Finance, 2022)

Then vs. now

- Lots of paperwork (statements and cheques!)
- Harder to access your money
- In-person banking only (branches)
- Cash
- Safer?

What do we have access to in 2022?

- Mobile banking apps
- Internet banking
- Information at our fingertips
- Instant spending!

Are things easier now?

There are lower barriers to entry... This can be both a blessing and a curse.

More people can engage with their money, but they need to be equipped with the right **knowledge** and **tools**.

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Want to improve? It's never too late to start

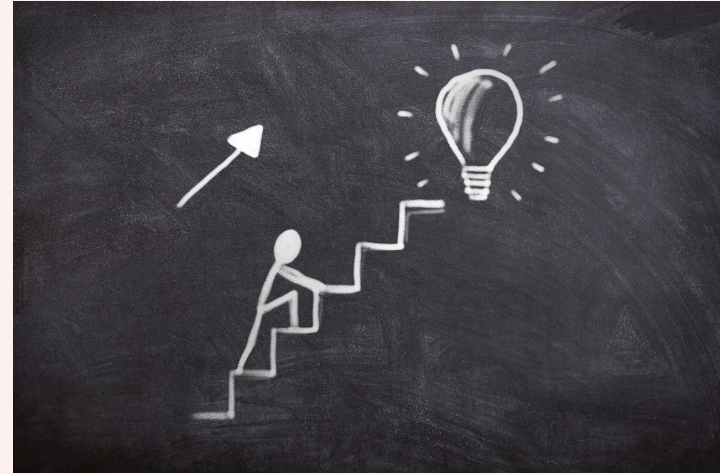
**Financial literacy is for all ages.
It's never too early or too late to learn!**

It's about getting ahead

With the correct **knowledge** and **tools** to succeed, everyone has the potential to be financially literate.

It's not rocket science!

- Just start... thinking
- What are your goals?
- Make a plan to get there
- Get help



Strategies

- Savings
 - **Make a plan**
- Debt management
 - **Know where to turn if you get into debt**
 - **Sensible credit options**
- Using credit
 - **Learn about different types**
 - **Some may be appropriate for your circumstances, some may not**

Seek out an expert if you want!



Budgeting

- Make a budget and stick to it
 - Online tools
 - Mobile apps
 - Old school pen and paper
- Be honest with yourself
- ALL your income and outgoings



Critical thinking

- THINK:
 - Where is this information coming from?
 - Who is telling me this?
 - Where can I find reputable information?
- Interrogate sources
- Demystifying financial products and services
 - Credit
 - Debt



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Be in charge of your money

Resources

- Your bank
- Providers
- Financial advisers
- Reputable websites
 - **Think!**

