

POCKET MONEY

Did you know?

- Most teenagers receive pocket money every week. But not everyone gets the same amount of money. Have you asked your friends how much they get? You might be surprised. And if you're a girl you'll be amazed to learn that boys often get more than girls of the same age!
- Teenagers up to the age of about 15 in the UK have about £5 a week in pocket money. But in Italy, France and Spain, the same age-group gets about €9, which is a bit more. In the US, pocket money is called 'an allowance'. Most teenagers get an allowance of about \$30, which is more than £20 or €25.
- Quite a lot of teenagers do. They have to do things in the house, like washing-up and cleaning and then they get their pocket money. If they don't do the jobs, they don't get the money. Some teenagers have part-time jobs too, which means they have more than their pocket money to spend each week.

4 You might be surprised at the answer. Teenagers in the UK spend more of their money on food than on clothes. Is that true for you too? Teens do more shopping online than before and online clothes shopping is cheaper. So perhaps this is one reason they don't spend so much on clothes.

5 Some parents do! They only let them buy some things. Other parents want their teens to save all their pocket money and spend it on something big in the future, or not spend it at all.



TALKING POINTS

What was the most surprising thing for you in the article?

READING

1 In pairs, ask and answer the questions.

- What is pocket money?
- Do you get pocket money?
- How much do you get a week?
- Do you spend more of your pocket money on food or clothes?

2 Read the article quickly. Match the question to the correct paragraph.

- So what happens in different countries?
- Do teens have to work for their pocket money?
- Do parents tell teens what to spend pocket money on?
- What do teenagers spend their money on?
- Do all teenagers get pocket money?

3 Answer the questions about the article.

- What's the difference between the pocket money girls get and the pocket money boys get?
- Where do teenagers get more pocket money, the USA, the UK or Italy, France and Spain?
- What is pocket money called in the USA?
- What do some teens have to do before they get their pocket money?
- How do some teenagers add to their pocket money?
- What do some parents want their children to do with their pocket money?

VOCABULARY

Units of measurement and money

1 Complete the sentences using words from the box.



centimetres dollars and cents euros and cents
grams kilograms kilometres litres
metres millilitres pounds and pence

- You buy food in _____ or _____.
- You buy drink in _____ or _____.
- You use _____, _____ and _____ to buy things.
- You find out how far away something is in _____, _____ and _____.

2 Work with a partner and decide how you say the amounts.

260 g	€15.34	700 ml	55 cm	2.5 l
37 p	£19.99	6 kg	62 c	\$27
			1.65 m	



Listen and check. Then repeat.



3 Complete the descriptions for photos 1–4 with the words in the box.

a pair of a set of a slice of a variety of



1 _____ pizza



3 _____ cups



2 _____ sunglasses



4 _____ drinks

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VOCABULARY

Shops

1 Match the words in the box to the pictures.

bookshop café chemist clothes shop department store
market shoe shop supermarket sweet shop



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2 Choose the things which you **can't** usually buy in the shops.

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|----------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 bookshop | a dictionary | a notebook | a drum | a diary |
| 1 bakery | bread | a cake | biscuits | a video game |
| 2 clothes shop | a jacket | a map | jeans | a T-shirt |
| 3 market | bananas | carrots | cameras | eggs |
| 4 shoe shop | shoes | trainers | boots | trousers |
| 5 supermarket | a piano | cereal | a cucumber | lemonade |
| 6 sweet shop | chocolate | tomatoes | lollipops | sweets |
| 7 newsagent's | jewellery | newspapers | magazines | comics |
| 8 butcher's | burgers | meat | chicken legs | grapes |

GRAMMAR

Present perfect with *just*, *yet* and *already*

1 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- Have you bought anything from the new clothes shop *yet* / *just*?
- Sasha has *already* / *just* missed the train. It left only a minute ago.
- The new supermarket has *already* / *yet* opened. I went there last week.
- I've *yet* / *just* seen Jon. He was in his favourite place: the sweet shop.
- I haven't been to the market *yet* / *already*. Do you need anything?
- I've *just* / *already* seen that film three times. I love it!

2 Complete the conversation with *yet* and *already*.

Nicola: You look busy, Alex.

Alex: I am. I haven't finished my history project

Nicola: That's OK. We don't have to give it to Mr Cameron until Monday.

Alex: Have you finished yours ¹ _____?

Nicola: Yes, I've ² _____ done mine.

Alex: That's good. I've had three projects to do this week.

Nicola: Have you done your geography project ³ _____?

Alex: Yes, I have. I did that this morning.

Nicola: Good. Why don't you come with me for a coffee? I haven't had a break ⁴ _____ this morning.

Alex: I've ⁵ _____ had a break.

Nicola: Have another one - you look tired.

3 What's just happened? Write complete sentences.

0 I / eat / sandwich

I've just eaten a sandwich.

1 She / play / tennis match

2 He / get home

3 We / see / concert

4 They / leave / shoe shop

4 Correct the mistakes in three of the sentences.

Which two are correct?

1 I've just had a birthday, and my friend Ava bought me a CD.

2 Yesterday, I left a book at your house and I need it because I don't do my homework yet.

3 I'm just watched the football game with my family. It was really fun.

4 I'm going to paint my bedroom next week, and you've already said that you're going to help me.

5 I'm in England. I haven't seen much already because it's rained every day.

VOCABULARY

Units of measurement

1 Match the letters and symbols to the words.

1 cm	_____	a cents
2 kg	_____	b litres
3 €	_____	c pence
4 c	_____	d euros
5 ml	_____	e grams
6 m	_____	f millilitres
7 £	_____	g kilometres
8 p	_____	h centimetres
9 l	_____	i kilograms
10 g	_____	j dollars
11 km	_____	k pounds
12 \$	_____	l metres

2 Complete the sentences with a word, letters or a symbol in Exercise 1.

- 1 There are 1,000 _____ in a litre.
- 2 In the UK, a Big Mac burger costs about _____ 3.20.
- 3 People use _____ to buy things in Spain.
- 4 There are 1,000 metres in a _____.
- 5 In one dollar, there are 100 _____.

3 Complete the text with the words in the box.

pair set slices variety

Today I went to the shopping centre and spent seven months' pocket money! I bought a ¹ _____ of trainers, some pens in a ² _____ of different colours and a ³ _____ of Robert Pattinson DVDs. I also bought a chocolate cake, and when I got home, I ate two ⁴ _____ of it while I watched my new DVDs.