

Dear Caregivers:

Today we used some of these books, fingerplays, and other materials in our storytime. Please continue helping your child develop by sharing these at home!

# SHOPPING AND MONEY

## LETTER OF THE DAY

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## BOOKS TO SHARE

*Max Explains Everything: Grocery Store Expert*  
by Stacy McAnulty

*Bodega Cat*  
by Louie Chin

*Farmer's Market Day*  
by Shanda Trent

*Betty Bunny Wants Everything*  
by Michael Kaplan

*Llama Llama Mad At Mama*  
by Anna Dewdney

*Spend It!: A Moneybunny Book*  
by Cinders McLeod

*Blue Monster Wants It All!*  
by Jeanne Willis

*A Gift From Abuela*  
by Cecilia Ruiz

*Liam Takes A Stand*  
by Troy Wilson

*A Bike Like Sergio's*  
by Maribeth Boelts

*Sunday Shopping*  
by Sally Derby

*Max's Bunny Business*  
by Rosemary Wells

*My Rows And Piles Of Coins*  
by Tololwa Mollel

## FUN WITH FINGERPLAYS AND SONGS

### A Shopping We Will Go

A shopping we will go, a shopping we will go,  
We will buy some vegetables,  
a shopping we will go.  
A shopping we will go, a shopping we will go,

### Sing a Song of Sixpence [English nursery rhyme]

Sing a song of sixpence,  
A pocket full of rye.  
Four and twenty blackbirds,  
Baked in a pie.  
When the pie was opened,  
The birds began to sing;  
Wasn't that a dainty dish,  
To set before the king.  
The king was in his counting house,  
Counting out his money;  
The queen was in the parlour,  
Eating bread and honey.

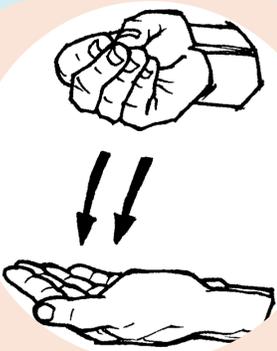
### Pennies, Nickels, Dimes, And Quarters

Pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters  
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Put them in that order.

### "She Works Hard For The Money" by Donna Summer (1983)

## ASL SIGN OF THE DAY

"Money"



Shape the dominant hand into a flattened "O" (as if holding some money) and smack it down lightly (twice) onto the palm of the non-dominant hand.

## To Market, To Market [English nursery rhyme]

To market, to market,  
To buy a fat pig,  
Home again, home again,  
Jiggety-jig.

To market, to market,  
To buy a fat hog,  
Home again, home again,  
Jiggety-jog.

To market, to market  
to buy a sweet treat  
Home again, home again,  
apples to eat.

To market, to market  
to buy a plum bun  
Home again, home again,  
market is done!

## I Had a Shiny Dime [fingerplay] [Tune: "The Farmer in the Dell"]

I had a shiny dime, *[hold up one finger]*  
I had a shiny dime,  
I put it in my piggy bank,  
To spend another time.

*[Verses: count up to five dimes]*

## Down Around The Corner

Down around the corner at the local store,  
Were five little **[objects]** and not one more.  
Along came someone with a nickel to pay  
They bought a little **[object]**  
And took it away.

## My Store

## MORE FUN!

### Materials:

Play money of all denominations

***You can buy play money, or just print pictures of real coins and bills and cut them out!***

Items to 'sell'

***You can use household items and/or your child's toys.***

Paper and pens to make price labels



Work with your child(ren) to price each of the items and write a label for them (this is great emergent writing practice for little ones).

Now, you can both 'go shopping!'

***Extend the play learning experience by asking open-ended questions and posing scenarios like:***

***"I see that you want to buy both of those dolls, but you only have enough money for one. How will you decide which one to buy?"***

***"If you bought the Lego piece for \$0.25 and you have \$1.00 to spend, how can you figure out how much money you'll have left?"***

***Dramatic play like this is wonderful for developing a variety of different skill sets -- including number sense, problem solving, vocabulary building, etc.***

Every April, Financial Literacy Month is celebrated. Teaching your children about different types of money (coins and bills) and saving, spending, donating, and investing (all great vocabulary words to learn!) will help them become financially literate as well as strengthen their math skills!

Different countries use different types of coins and bills for money. Look up some pictures online and/or check out one of our easy-reader ("ER") non-fiction books on a specific country.

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