**Exploring** Financial Identity through English

Cost of raising a child

**What does it really cost to raise a child?**

About this resource

This resource supports learners to investigate what the cost are of raising a child in Aotearoa New Zealand.

View the Level 4 and 5 achievement objectives related to this learning experience [**here**](https://sortedinschools.org.nz/api/v1.0/download?files=313)**.**

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# SOLO taxonomy

The learning experiences in this resource are aligned to SOLO Taxonomy to ensure cohesiveness, constructive alignment and cognitive stretch for all learners. This gives you choices throughout the learning process.

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| Make connections to what you aready know. This is the starting point for new learning. | Link your ideas and make connections to build new knowledge and understandings. Learn about the perspective and insights of others. | Extend your learning by applying it to new contexts. Find evidence, validate sources, summarise your thinking and present your findings to clarify.  |

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Managing my money

Goals

 Learning experiences

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|  **Need it/Know it**  |  **Think it/Link it**  |  **Extend it/Defend it**  |
| [A recent New Zealand report](https://www.nzherald.co.nz/business/news/article.cfm?c_id=3&objectid=12075634) put the cost of raising a child from birth to 18 years at $285,000 ($16,000 a year).  Working in a pair, brainstorm common expenses for children who are: * 1 to 4
* 5 to 10
* 11 to 14
* 15 to 18.
 | **Compare** your ideas with those of another pair, adding items from their list onto your own.  | **Evaluate** ways families could lower their costs of raising children.   |



**Tip: Pick different learning experiences from each column to build a framework of lessons that differentiates your classroom**