

Money Matters

You need: toy money (optional), a classmate

ACTIVITY

Make Your Fortune

Four people have entered a TV competition called

At the start of the programme, each contestant is told what money and debts they have to work with. When they come back the next evening, the audience will decide which person will spin the fortune wheel. To qualify, each contestant must be debt-free.

- ★ Chris receives \$50 and has two \$25 bills to pay.
- ★ Ana receives \$80, but she owes \$80.
- ★ Maria receives no money and has no bills.
- ★ Dion receives \$100, but he owes \$100.

What they do:

- ★ As soon as she gets home, Ana rings the local radio station and places eight \$13 advertisements for an all-day garage sale.



- ★ Dion washes dishes at a local restaurant for 5 hours at \$7 an hour.
- ★ Chris buys a CD and lounges around.
- ★ Maria goes busking and makes \$40, but then she buys three replacement guitar strings.

The next evening:

1. Chris has \$27 left, but he hasn't paid his two bills. How much did he pay for the CD?
2. Dion has paid his debt. He finishes with the same amount of money as Maria. How much did Maria pay for the guitar strings?
3. Ana has paid her \$80 debt. She finishes with \$20 more than Dion and Maria. How much did she make in her garage sale?
4. Who would you vote for? Discuss this with a classmate.

