Our Play Store

Name _____ Date _____

Color the play store! Circle the NEEDS (food). Draw a box around the WANTS (toys).



MY MONEY CHOICE

You have one coin. What would you buy at the play store? Draw it.

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The quick lesson (read aloud, about 1 minute)

> A **need** is something we must have to live and grow, like food. A **want** is something nice to have, like a toy. Families buy needs first. Then, if there's money left, they might buy a want.

Two teaching points

1. Needs come first.
2. Wants are OK when the needs are taken care of.

Answer key

Needs (circle): the apples, bananas and oranges, and the food in the shopping cart. Wants (box): the teddy bear and the toy blocks. Talk about it: is the toy kitchen a need or a want?

10-minute run

1. Color the store.
2. Find the needs and the wants together.
3. Draw what you'd buy with one coin.

Ask

"Is it OK to buy a want? When?"

Goal

Needs are things we must have, like food. Wants are nice to have, like toys.

Take it further

Play store: give each child 3 play coins. Food costs 1 coin, toys cost 2. What do they buy first?

Standard: National Standards for Personal Financial Education (Council for Economic Education and Jump$tart), area: **Spending**. Print double-sided: the activity on the front, this teaching side on the back.

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