



# LifeSmarts

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## ConsumerMan Podcast for LifeSmarts 1: Let's Talk About Money

### Podcast/Streaming Video Discussion Questions

These questions are open-ended prompts to promote thoughtful discussion using the ConsumerMan podcast or streaming video.

1. "Managing your money is a skill." What are some of the reasons a budget is necessary to manage money?

How is a budget a tool to *manage* money, not just *spend* money?

2. What is cash flow and why is it important?

Would tracking cash flow change your spending habits? Explain.

3. Why is quality v. quantity a consumer-balancing act?

Choose an apparel item you would like to buy and make a case for *quality* and another case for *quantity*.

4. Overdraft protection can mean a steep fee. Create a persuasive argument *for* and *against* this service.

5. How is PYF (Pay Yourself First) a habit that builds wealth?

Why is saving money difficult and how can teenagers learn the importance of saving for the future?