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INTRODUCTION

Money is such a huge part of our lives, so learning how to make it work best for YOU is important. That's why I wanted to write this book!

From when I was young, my family would talk about how to have enough money to do the things we wanted to do (not ALL the things, just the ones that really mattered to us!). I think chatting over the table about ideas was how I started to understand how money worked. I realised that you had to DO something to get money and once you had it you needed to take care of it and spend it wisely.

I had lots of jobs as a teenager. I worked in a chemist, washed pots in a restaurant, handed out change in an amusement arcade . . . you name it, I gave it a go. I loved working and I loved that I had my own money and could choose what I wanted to do with it. I was lucky that my 'needs' (more about those on *page 63*) were taken care of by my parents, but I started to wonder what would happen when I had to pay for everything myself.

Thinking about life ahead is exciting and can be a little scary. I always knew I wanted my own business, but I had no idea what that would be. Trying to decide what you want to do and how you will earn your money can be confusing and it is natural to be a little anxious.

However, with the right knowledge and support you can have a happy and healthy relationship with money, which means that not only can you look after yourself and your family, you can have lots of fun too!

I'll be talking about earning money, spending money, borrowing money, business and much more!

**ARE YOU READY TO
TALK MONEY?**

IT'S HARD TO IMAGINE WHAT LIFE WOULD
BE LIKE WITHOUT MONEY BECAUSE WE
USE IT EVERY DAY TO BUY THE THINGS
WE NEED AND WANT! MONEY GIVES
US SECURITY AND CHOICES.

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