

Making your MoneyU Experience Easier, Faster, and Better: A Quick Guide for Students

| Goal | Need to Know | Tactics, Tips, and Tricks |
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| Finish MoneyU before deadline, at a comfortable pace | <p>For 17 to 30 year-olds, MoneyU takes anywhere from 6 to 12 (usually 9) hours to complete, depending on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how much financial knowledge you already possess • your access to internet broadband • how well you read the instructions and understand the tasks. | <p>30 minutes a day for 3 weeks is generally enough time to complete MoneyU; so, start early, work daily, and finish relaxed!</p> <p>Set your goal to finish the course a day or two before deadline, then you can choose how much time to devote to the review. Rushing and cramming don't help. (You knew that).</p> <p>Dial-up doesn't cut it for Flash, so choose a routine time and place where you can access broadband.</p> |
| Get a great pretest-posttest improvement | <p>Don't sweat a poor pretest score: almost 90% of students flunk it (including college students in Business majors!)</p> <p><u>But</u>, if you don't complete the whole course, you can't take the posttest, which is your final score and grade and credit for taking the course.</p> | <p><u>Completion</u> is the key, and almost guarantees a great posttest score!</p> <p><u>Reviewing</u> before the posttest is a good idea. At the end of the course, you can opt for a full or partial review. The full review is 184 questions.</p> <p>If you're unhappy with your posttest score, you can opt to make a second attempt. Your teacher will see your scores in both your attempts.</p> |
| Get unstuck fast | <p>Everybody gets stuck in some of the lessons and tasks, because we tried to match the real-life challenge in the simulations, only way faster than reality! Most students get stuck by not following the directions (eg., opening and reading <u>all</u> the documents to complete the 1040EZ).</p> <p>Forget your Username or Password? The system will email you a reminder if your profile included a valid email address. If it doesn't, use "Contact us" to request a reset.</p> <p>Loading and gameplay problems are most likely a problem with your browser or bandwidth. Try clearing your cache or changing browsers.</p> | <p>First, be sure you have read and understand the instructions. If you're really stuck, there are lots of supports to help you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Learn More" buttons in many of the lessons give you more insight into the tasks • The Reference (available in the Game menu and the Wallet) gives you deep and current information about the topic and offers useful links. Even if you don't need immediate help, this is a great resource! • "Contact Us" enables you to send a question or request to the MoneyU support team via email; we'll get back to you the next weekday or sooner. Be sure to tell us as much and specifically as possible about your problem, including step number. • Have a conversation with your Teacher, Parent or Classmate. |
| For your learning comfort | <p>Path Mode is optional; you can also access lessons in Topic Mode, or even toggle between the two. Topic mode lets you see at a glance what lessons are completed (red check) and which ones aren't (yellow flag means partially complete).</p> <p>You have a lot of control over your MoneyU experience: the sounds, the order, the pace.</p> | <p>The videos are there to humorously get your head into the lesson, but they're skippable if you're in a hurry. The skip button is in the video frame.</p> <p>You can mute the sound effects in the wallet; but remember to turn them back on for all the vocabulary lessons, or you might miss the cues.</p> <p>You can do any lesson as many times as you want, if something wasn't clear even after you completed it.</p> |
| And a request | <p>We love hearing about your experiences in MoneyU! The whole team reads your surveys and comments, including the President. Please give us your feedback!</p> | |

