



Grades 3-5: Math and Reading

Objectives

1. Students will be able to orally and fluently read *Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand*.
2. Students will be able to calculate the amount of money that has been collected for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.
3. Students will be able to predict the amount of money that will be able to be collected and adjust their goal accordingly throughout the week.

Time

60 minutes

Materials

- *Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand* book
- "Track Your Progress" Worksheet
- "Making Change Happen in Your Community" Sheet
- Ways to "Fill the Coin Collection Box" Idea Sheet
- Parent/Guardian Permission Letter
- Recording Sheet

Preparation

1. Obtain a copy of "Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand." (If needed, you may submit a teacher request form for one at: www.alexlemonade.org/campaign/schools-and-universities/incorporate-alsof-classroom/book.)
2. Get permission from administrators to fundraise for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.
3. Ask other teachers to participate in the program.

Procedures

Attention-Getter: "A little girl named Alex Scott made a huge difference for kids with cancer everywhere. She was younger than all of you and still raised over a million dollars for childhood cancer research in her lifetime."

Lesson Steps:

1. Read the book *Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand* and discuss how Alex was able to help others.
2. Have students discuss ways they can raise money.

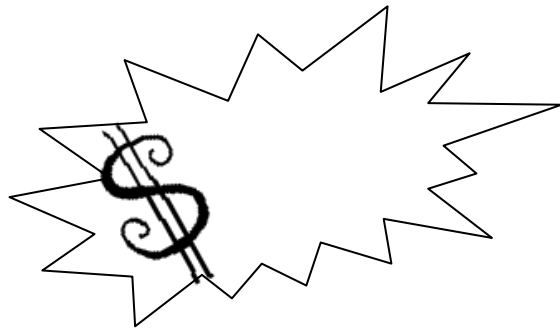
3. Redirect students to think about ways to find coins.
 - Ask what difference one coin could make vs. many coins
 - Have students discuss a goal for the total amount of money that they hope to raise
 - Have students write this amount on their worksheet
4. Brainstorm ways in which students can collect coins to “Fill the Coin Collection Box.” Hand out the idea sheet, and have students write down their ideas.
5. Explain that your class will be hosting this special program for all of the classes that register in the school.
 - They will be able to read the book *Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand* and share the “Change Childhood Cancer” program with other classes.
6. Reread the book, demonstrating fluent reading, and stop at various points to demonstrate a “think aloud.” Have students partner read to practice reading.
7. Explain that today, each student will be given a coin collection box to take home for a week.
 - Set individual goals of how much money to raise on the worksheet
 - Set a class goal for how much money to raise and prominently display this amount
8. Have students go around to classes, reading the book and providing materials (coin collection boxes and parent letters) to all students.
 - Remind all classes about the program
9. Throughout the week, have students update their worksheet with the new totals of coins collected and adjust their original goals. Encourage students to continue to brainstorm ways to raise more money for the remainder of the week.

Reflection: Which type of coin do you think will be easiest to collect? Why? How many pennies would equal one nickel? Quarter? Do you think we will make more money collecting mostly quarters or pennies?

Conclusion: At the end of the week, have students calculate the total money raised. Have a class celebration, and share the great news with the school. Discuss the difference that the students were able to make for kids with cancer.



TRACK YOUR PROGRESS



Write your goal in the star for how much money you hope to raise by the end of the week for childhood cancer.

Below each day, write how many of each type of coin you have collected as well as the total amount you have collected to date. Remember, by Day 5, you are trying to meet or exceed your goal!

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Pennies _____	Pennies _____	Pennies _____	Pennies _____	Pennies _____
Nickels _____	Nickels _____	Nickels _____	Nickels _____	Nickels _____
Dimes _____	Dimes _____	Dimes _____	Dimes _____	Dimes _____
Quarters _____	Quarters _____	Quarters _____	Quarters _____	Quarters _____
Total _____	Total _____	Total _____	Total _____	Total _____
Amount _____	Amount _____	Amount _____	Amount _____	Amount _____



MAKING CHANGE HAPPEN IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Name _____

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation is on a mission to raise money for childhood cancer research. Today, you will be able to help us raise money to help kids with cancer!

Step 1:

Create a goal. How much money do you want to raise for childhood cancer? If it helps, think about how many of each type of coin you might want to collect.

Total Goal	Pennies	Nickels	Dimes	Quarters
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Step 2: Plan how you will reach this goal. How will you earn money? Will you do chores around the house, ask relatives, something else? Write down a few ways that you plan on collecting coins.

Step 3: Get started! Looking at the list above, start collecting coins and donations!

Remember: DO NOT go door-to-door asking for donations.

Step 4: Mid-week: Adjust your goals according to your fundraising so far.

New Goal: \$ _____

How I will meet this goal:

Step 5: This is how much I raised for childhood cancer!

Total Raised	Pennies	Nickels	Dimes	Quarters
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**FILL YOUR COIN COLLECTION BOX:
IDEAS THAT CAN HELP YOU REACH YOUR GOAL!**

1. Ask your parents or relatives if you can help with chores around the house for extra change. You might be surprised that they are willing to give you a quarter for helping to dry the dishes!
2. Go on a scavenger hunt around your house. It's amazing how much change is dropped in the cushions of couches or in other hidden areas!
3. Call relatives (with your parent's permission) and ask if they will donate spare change to your cause. Many people have buckets of change they may be collecting!
4. Hold a small lemonade stand, friendship bracelet stand or other stand in your yard and use the change to fill your coin collection box.
5. See if you can help your parents with laundry. Pockets are often still filled with coins when they go through the wash.



CHANGE CHILDHOOD CANCER PERMISSION LETTER

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF) designed the Change Childhood Cancer program to help educate children about giving back. The program shows that the simple act of collecting change can have a large impact in the battle against childhood cancer. If participating, each child is asked to collect coins to help find a cure. By teaching children that they can make a difference in the lives of other children, we empower them to recognize the power of one. We recommend that your child develops ideas to help fill their coin collection box.

Some ways you can help your child on this mission are:

- Develop a list of simple chores that can be done to earn change
- Help your child go on a scavenger hunt for loose change around your house
- Have your child write a letter or email to relatives explaining Alex's story and asking them to help fill their coin collection box

Note: Children should not go door to door collecting donations. Parents should accompany children during any fundraising efforts.

Please complete and return this form to school if you give your child permission to participate. Each coin collected helps to cure childhood cancer!

Thank you in advance for your help. For further information on the mission of Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation, or for other ways that you can help, please visit AlexsLemonade.org.

Yes, I give permission for _____ to participate in Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation's "Change Childhood Cancer" program.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

