

MONEY MATTERS



Sorie and Mark talk about money and how much they worry about their future.

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VOCABULARY

retirement

*I worry about my **retirement**.*

Retirement is the time when people stop working, usually because of old age. Notice the following:

1. The **retirement** age is 70 in most countries.
2. I have big plans for my **retirement**. I plan to sell my house and travel the world.



option

*What kind of **options** are there?*

An **option** is a choice. Notice the following:

1. With your dinner you have two **options**: soup or salad.
2. Quitting school is not a wise **option**.



get my head around

*I haven't **got my head around** the future yet*

When you **get your head around** something, you discover what to do. Notice the following:

1. I can't **get my head around** this problem.
2. I still haven't **got my head around** what to do.



pension plan

*I have a national **pension plan**.*

A **pension plan** is a savings plan that companies or governments create for workers or citizens. Notice the following:

1. *These days many companies do not have **pension plans**.*
2. *The 401K is a popular **pension plan**.*



put a little aside

*I try to **put a little aside**.*

When you **put something aside**, you save it for later. Notice the following:

1. *I try to **put a little money aside** each week.*
2. *My mother is always telling me to **put some money aside** for a rainy day.*



the time will come

***The time will come** when I need the money.*

The phrase **the time will come** refers to the future. Notice the following:

1. ***A time will come** when you want to get married.*
2. *If you neglect your health, **the time will come** when you regret it.*



VOCABULARY QUIZ

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time will come

1. A _____ when you regret your actions.
2. I can't get my _____ this problem.
3. He has a full _____ from his company.
4. He is not looking forward to _____ .
5. I try to put _____ some money each week.
6. What _____ do I have? I must do this.

COMPREHENSION QUIZ

Answer the following questions about the interview.

- 1) Sorie seems _____ retirement.
 - a. worried about
 - b. prepared for
- 2) One idea is _____ kids.
 - a. to have
 - b. to not have
- 3) Who is more worried?
 - a. He is
 - b. She is

- 4) They talk about _____ .
- a. getting help
 - b. saving money
 - c. ignoring it
- 5) Now, do they save every week?
- a. Yes, a little
 - b. No, not now

SPEAKING

Answer these questions related to the lesson.

- 1) Do you save money each week?
- 2) Are you worried about money?
- 3) When will you retire?
- 4) What do you waste money on?
- 5) Do you want to be rich?

