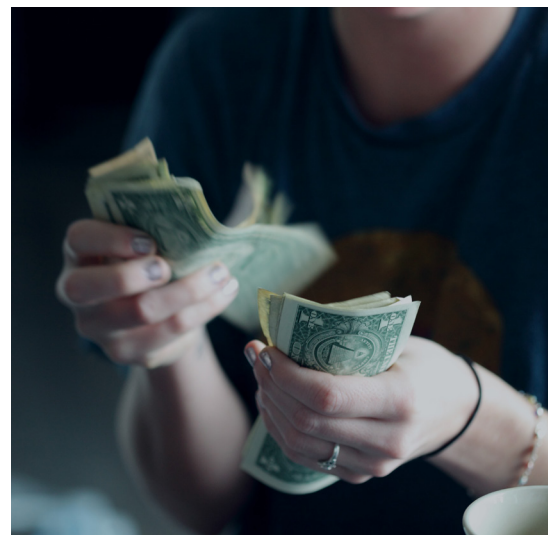


**Subject: Making Ends Meet****1. Correct the mistakes in the sentences. There is one mistake in each sentence.****Idioms About Money Troubles**

- Do you know anyone who's on its breadline?
- Of course he's broken. He's been spending money like water.
- She lost her job, so she'll have to tighten her bolt.
- I'm sick and tired of living on a shoestring.
- Could I borrow some money? I'm strapped for cash at the moment.
- I want to stop penny-punching.
- I've been scrimping and saving all year.

**2. Choose the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.****Phrasal Verbs and Money**

- I had to ..... my spending after losing my job.  
a) cut back on    b) cut back in    c) cut back off
- He always has a tough time ..... anyone who lends him money.  
a) paying of    b) paying back    c) paying back to
- I don't think they'll be able to ..... their mortgage.  
a) pay off    b) pay along    c) pay over
- She had to ..... groceries last week.  
a) skimp back    b) skimp off    c) skimp on
- My medical bills ..... \$2,000 last month.  
a) set me down    b) set me back    c) set me off



**3. Fill in the gaps with the following verbs in the right form.**

*owe • spend • bet • squander • waste • manage*

**Verbs Linked to Money**

- She .....all her money.
- He's ..... his entire savings.
- They ..... every last cent they had.
- He ..... me hundreds of pounds.
- Stop ..... your money away.
- We've got to ..... our finances better.

**4. Fill in the missing letters.****Synonyms for Money**

- I haven't got any *ca*..... at the moment.
- I need to find new ways to earn some *m*.....*lah*.
- He's always asking strangers for a little extra *d*.....*h*.
- She needs to get her hands on some *gr*..... quickly.
- They need to find new jobs that'll pay them more *br*.....*d*.

**5. Choose the correct answer.****Synonyms for "Poor"**

- This is an *impoverished/inpooverished* part of town.
- His family has been *poverty-strickened/poverty-stricken* for generations.
- I try to help *needing/needy* individuals as much as possible.
- Her home looks awful. She must be totally *destined/destitute*.
- My family might be *penniless/pennyless* soon.
- It's important to help people who come from *privileged/underprivileged* areas.



**6. Fill in the gaps with the missing words.****Money Complaints at Work**

- He's stuck in a dead-..... job.
- I want to do something more than just simple .....-of-the-mill tasks.
- I'm ..... in a rut, and I have to find a way to get a better job.

**7. Match the halves.**

Put your nose to the

fingers to the bone.

I had to slog

my guts out for years.

She put her blood, sweat, and

tears into this project.

I'm my family's breadwinner,  
so I know I have to

grindstone, and it'll pay off in the end.

I worked my

go the extra mile every day.

