

You Tax

**A simple introduction to
tax for pupils aged 8–13**

Info guide

Background

Our goal is to empower students with the knowledge and tools they need to make confident financial decisions. By focusing on taxation and the psychology of money, we aim to instill a deeper understanding of how taxes work, why they are essential, and how they impact individuals, businesses, and society. We also encourage entrepreneurial thinking, ensuring students grasp both career and self-employment tax responsibilities.

Why don't schools teach more about money?

Many people wonder why financial literacy, particularly topics like taxation, budgeting, and smart spending, is not a core part of the school curriculum. The traditional education system does not prioritise financial freedom, entrepreneurship, or independent wealth creation because it has been structured to produce employees rather than financially independent individuals.

This gap in financial education is why initiatives like You Tax are so crucial. By bringing tax and money education directly into schools, we can help young people gain the essential knowledge they need to manage their finances confidently and take control of their financial futures.

Taxes can often seem complex and intimidating. We simplify them by explaining how they fund public services, why tax compliance is crucial, and how individuals can manage their tax responsibilities efficiently.

Delivery format

Our sessions are designed to be interactive and student-focused:

- Workshops combining visual aids, discussions, and group activities.
- Games and quizzes to reinforce learning in a fun and engaging way.
- Practical exercises to simulate real-world tax and finance scenarios.
- Flexibility to adapt content to the specific age group and time available.



Topics covered

○ For ages 8 -13

- What is money? Understanding its value and how it's earned.
- Why do we pay taxes? Simple explanations using relatable examples (schools, hospitals, roads).
- Where does tax money go? Interactive discussions on public services.
- Basic spending and saving: How to make smart financial choices.
- Understanding pocket money and earnings: Simple budgeting exercises.
- Needs vs. Wants: Learning to prioritise spending.
- The role of work and income: How jobs and businesses generate money.
- Introduction to charity and giving: Why some people choose to donate money.

○ For ages 9 -16

- What are taxes? A deeper look at tax types (income tax, VAT, National Insurance).
- How tax is collected: Payslips, payroll deductions, and self-assessment basics.
- Understanding a payslip: Breaking down salary, deductions, and take-home pay.
- How taxes shape society: Funding education, healthcare, and public services.
- Budgeting and saving: Managing money as a teen (part-time jobs, allowances).
- Introduction to entrepreneurship: Earning money beyond employment.
- Taxes for young entrepreneurs: Basics of self-employment tax responsibilities.
- Ethical considerations: Tax evasion, fraud, and why paying tax matters.
- The future of taxation: How technology is shaping modern tax systems

Book a session

Are you interested in bringing our tax and financial education workshops to your school or community group? Contact us today to learn more or to schedule a session.

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