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SCEFL Quality Curriculum Rubric

Basic Resource Information

Program Name: Family Economics & Financial Education Lessons

Major Topic: Personal Finance If other,

Name of Source Provider (from SCEFL List): Family Economics & Financial Education

(FEFE)

Briefly, what do you know about the Source Provider? Are they a private financial institution? A non-profit educational organization? An independent developer or entrepreneur? A part of the federal, state, or municipal government? A foundation in the financial industry that supports literacy?

FEFE is a program of the Take Charge America Institute for Consumer Financial Education and Research at the University of Arizona. FEFE provides free money management lessons to educators so they may incorporate them into grades 7-12 classrooms.

Program Medium: Website

Source Website for Resource and/or Resource Information: http://fefe.arizona.edu

Source Address: http://fefe.arizona.edu/download-lessons

Were P/K-12 teachers (or professors/adult financial education trainers) involved in the creation of this lesson or program? \bigotimes Yes \square No \square Information is not available

In the materials provided with the lesson/program, is there other relevant information given to a teacher considering adopting the lesson/program? Is there enough information for a teacher or supervisor to gauge the quality of the lesson/program developer? Yes, there is much relevant information included in the lesson and program. The lesson includes the material provider's (educator's) name, title and school, and from the home page you can access information about FEFE.

Resource Details

Are you rating an individual lesson or an entire program/curriculum with multiple lessons? Individual lesson

Primary Grade Level/Age or Population: Grades 9-12

Is there another Grade Level/Age or Population served by the lesson or program? No

What language(s) options are available for this lesson or program? English

What are the specific topics covered? Becoming a Critical Consumer

What media, equipment, or materials are needed? Access to computer with PowerPoint, Internet & streaming video/projector Props for "Skit" if desired Handouts: Protecting Your Identity Worksheet - 1.3.1.A1 Identity Theft Interview Questions – 1.3.1.A2 Identity Theft Interview Essay Rubric – 1.3.1.B1 Identity Theft Commercial Rubric - 1.3.1.B2 Identity Theft Song Rubric - 1.3.1.B3 Identity Theft Brochure Rubric - 1.3.1.B4 Identity Theft Education Topic Ideas handout 1.3.1.E1 Identity Theft information sheet - 1.3.1.F1 Identity Theft PowerPoint presentation – 1.3.1.G1 Solve the Mystery for Lucy activity cards1.3.1.H1 What Would Lucy Do? Scenario cards – 1.3.1.H2 Mystery of the Stolen Identity Skit Acts 1 and 2 – 1.3.1.J1 Mystery of the Stolen Identity Skit Act 3 – 1.3.1.J2 Identity Theft Education Project instructions – 1.3.1.J2 Solve the Mystery for Lucy activity answer key – 1.3.1.K1 Identity Theft note taking guide – 1.3.1.L1

What is the class time needed to complete the lesson or entire program, not counting extra or optional assignments? 180 minutes

Rate the ease of use for students to work through the lesson(s) guided by the teacher.

(Very Cumbersome)	1 🗌 2	3 🖂 4	5 (Very Easy)
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Rate the ease of preparation for teacher.

(Very Cumbersome) 1 2 3 4 5 (Very Easy)

Thinking about your specific content or curricular requirement objective(s), is the lesson/program be a stand-alone to meet them? \square Yes \square No

Thinking about your specific content or curricular requirement objective(s), is the lesson/program best used as a supplement? Explain. N/A

Settings where product or lesson can be used: All

Price: Kree Fee-based

If fee-based, is price information provided, per user fee for school or home use? (Note: It is understood that there can be a sliding fee scale depending on size of population using the product): N/A

Does a corporate or private business logo or brand appear anywhere on the program? $\hfill Yes \hfill No$

Analysis and Evaluation of the Lesson(s)

Are goals and objectives listed and clearly stated?

What are the stated goals and objectives?

Upon completion of this lesson, participants will be able to:

- Assess the dangers of identity theft.
- Identify how identity thieves obtain personal information.
- Explain what identity thieves can do with an individual's information.
- Practice methods to minimize the risk of identity theft.
- Recognize the warning signs of identity theft. •
- Formulate plans for minimizing the risk of loss in the event of an identity theft. •
- Compare the pros and cons of identity theft protection products and services. •

Does the program/lesson integrate project-based learning activities?	🛛 Yes 🗌] No
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Are topics presented in a logical, sequenced order that builds learning? 🖂 Yes 🖂

Yes No Does the program/lesson use differentiated instruction (a variety of learning methods for students to learn content and skills)?

Does the program/lesson contain information that is current?

 \boxtimes Yes \square No

No

Yes \Box No

Does the program/lesson suggest optional add-on activities? N/A Xes, Please explain... Yes. You can incorporate all or portions, which include a

skit, a PowerPoint with notes, preparation of a commercial, song, brochure or essay.

Could the lesson/program be used in special education classrooms or be easily modified by a teacher for special education classrooms?

No X Yes, Please explain... There are a number of opportunities to use differentiated

instruction to accomplish the objectives. Educators can choose from the activities they feel

will best meet the needs of their students.

If you are reviewing a full program, does the package have an evaluation component such as a pre-test and post-test? Select One **Pre-test Assessment Type:**

Post-test Assessment Type:

Is there an alternative assessment tool for student learning outcomes (quizzes, homework, etc.)? Please elaborate.

No X Yes, Please elaborate... Worksheet can be used as a quiz, preparation of

commercial, song, brochure or essay.

If technology and/or media are used, is it pedagogically effective, or merely a showy gimmick?

Pedagogically effective - PowerPoint includes links to FTC video on identity theft; guides

the "skit" activity; and provides students with info to complete the note taking guide.

What are the greatest lesson/program strengths? Interactive activity - Skit: Mystery of the Identity Theft - engages students

What are the greatest lesson/program weaknesses? N/A

If you already use this, what do your students/trainees think about this lesson/program? Students enjoyed role playing the skit and were eager to come to class to see if they would

be solving the mystery of the identity thief that day. They all grasped the concepts and

achieved the objectives of the lesson as evidenced by the identity theft worksheet they

completed independently at the end of the lesson.

Is the lesson/program/product a good value for its price? Absolutely!

Other comments or thoughts about this resource other teachers should know before considering using this lesson/program?

The lesson does take 4 full days (45 minute periods) to complete effectively, that is, without

any additional projects (such as the brochure, commercial, etc.)

Overall Information

Overall Rating (See the attached Overall Rating Criteria Rubric below to determine rating)



Date of review or rating: 5-18-11

Reviewer Information

Reviewer Name: Dawn Kosko

Reviewer Title: Business Education Teacher

If Educator, grades/population you teach: 10-12

U.S. state(s) where you primarily teach: New Jersey

Reviewer's Organization: Absegami High School, Galloway, NJ

Reviewer's E-mail (if you wish to provide it): dkosko@geh.nj.k12us.com

Reviewer's Primary Credentials: Teacher If other,

Optional Final Comments: In my 8 years teaching personal finance, this is the most

comprehensive and effective lesson on identity theft I have used in the classroom.

Overall Rating Criteria Rubric

To decide on an overall rating (grade) to complete SCEFL's Quality Curriculum Rubric, use the following chart as a guide. Reserve the top, 4-Apple rating, for financial literacy lessons and programs that are truly exceptional, that is, among the best teaching tools you have used or would use.

	Weight) (Poor)) (Fair)	Good)	(Exceptional)
Basic Information: Program source authority, development, objectivity, etc.	20%	Obvious commercial branding, unknown or not a credible source/developer	Branding, but not on every page; unknown lesson/program developer	Objective; contains info on developers or reviewers	Objective; contains info on developers or reviewers, and includes teachers in the development process
Lesson or Program Details: Age-appropriateness, ease of use, good value for the price, etc.	20%	Not at the right level for my learners; too expensive	Seems to be age- appropriate, but more difficult for teachers to learn and learners to use; would consider only as a free resource	Good for class use or home, independent use; good value, too	Easy to use; effective use of class time; superior value for the cost
Analysis and Evaluation of the Lesson(s): Clear goals and objectives, project-based learning, appropriate activities, assessment, etc.	50%	Unclear goals; little- to-no interactive learning; no assessment tool	Most of the learning is one-sided, with students listening to an online program with few applications; no assessment tool	Some excellent activities and projects that keep my students interested; some assessment method(s) provided	Promotes learning; logical; includes "hands on" activities to promote learning; includes pre- and post-assessment tool and/or other methods
Other: Examples of teacher-provided comments	10%	I would not use this again or adopt it after previewing	I do not recommend this; the resource was sufficient, but did not appeal to the audience; great amount of effort needed to make resource effective	I recommend this and it can be used stand-alone to meet my learning objectives; also serves as a good supplement resource	One of the best; my student learners and I love it, have fun with it, and learn much in the process
OVERALL RATING: Choose number of apples based on rating components and weights	100%) (Poor)	(Fair)	(Good)	(Exceptional)

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