

Cash and Cord Scenarios



Print a copy and cut out each card.

Scenario 1

You've forgotten your lunch money and it's a long day — you're already starting to feel really hungry. A friend offers to lend you enough to buy something, but they say they need the money back by the end of the day. You do have the money at home, but you don't live near your friend and won't see them again until later in the week. What do you do?

Scenario 2

You didn't have enough money for the bus this morning, so your friend kindly lent you the fare. You told them you'd pay them back, but the truth is you won't have the money until next week. The next day, they ask you to pay them back straight away. What do you do?

Scenario 3

A group of your friends decide to chip in to buy a birthday gift for someone in your class. One person says everyone should give £5. You weren't planning to spend any money this week, and you're trying to save — but everyone else agrees quickly, and now they're looking at you. What do you do?

Scenario 4

A few weeks ago, you borrowed £2 from a friend to buy a drink, but it completely slipped your mind to pay them back. Today, they bring it up — but in front of a group of your friends. You feel embarrassed and unsure how to respond. What do you do?

Scenario 5

You've asked your friend if you can borrow £10 for a school trip. You know you still owe them from the last time, but they say they're willing to lend it — only if you agree to pay £1 extra for every day it takes to repay them. What do you do?

Scenario 6

After school, your friend asks if they can borrow £5 for a snack. While they're laughing, they say something like, "You know I never pay people back anyway!" A few other people laugh too, but you're not sure if they're serious. You don't want to seem mean, but it makes you feel uncomfortable. What do you do?

Scenario 7

There's a friend who often asks to borrow money — for snacks, bus fare, and other little things. They rarely pay you back on time, and sometimes not at all. Now they're asking to borrow more money today. You like them and don't want to fall out, but it's starting to bother you — especially because you've been saving up for a new game and don't want to dip into your savings. What do you do?

Scenario 8

One of your friends keeps asking to borrow things — books, games, chargers, or bits of kit for camping. They always say they'll give it back, but they don't always remember to return what they've borrowed. You want to be a good friend and help out, but it's starting to get a bit frustrating — and you're not sure whether to say something or just let it go. What do you do?