



English for Business Success!

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NOTES FOR FACILITATORS

The *English for Business Success!* manual has two goals:

- To introduce basic principles for starting and running a small business through discussion, group activities and language learning.
- 2. To introduce, practice and apply English language vocabulary, phrases and skills needed to run a small business.

Local Church leaders can use this manual as a one-time, stand-alone resource or as a preparation for the Church's comprehensive Self-Reliance program. While participants can benefit from individual study, the full potential of this program requires participation within a group. Groups of individuals with interest in running a business and desire to improve English skills are invited to participate.

In addition to gaining greater proficiency in business vocabulary and phrases, participants will learn to:

- Make and keep commitments
- Create and use a personal budget
- Start savings
- Identify a product or service they intend to sell and
- Become familiar with basic business principles

It is helpful but not necessary to follow the book in order. Use pieces of the curriculum that meet your individual or group needs. Work at your participant pace: As needed, spend one day, one week, or one month on each unit.

Facilitators can make this workbook available to all participants or make copies of the pages they wish to discuss.

Above all, encourage discussion. Allow participants to learn from one another. Some group members may have extensive prior business experience, and others have none, but everyone's perspective should be valued. Group members learn and grow through discussion.

Small business owners are problem solvers. They plan for the future. These are skills that can be valuable as a business owner, as an employee, as a community member or as a family member.

Starting a business is not about getting rich quickly. It takes hard work, risk, creativity, and dedication.

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Welcome to the English for Business Success Program!

Together we're going to learn Words, Ideas and Skills to help you make a better life.

7 YOU CAN BECOME SELF-RELIANT

Read aloud and discuss:

"Self-Reliance is the ability, desire and effort to provide for the spiritual and temporal necessities of life."

• Thomas S. Monson

NYREE'S STORY

Nyree felt worried and alone. Her husband left her. She needed to pay school fees for her two daughters, but didn't know if she had enough money for food, rent and other bills. She didn't have a job or a business. She hadn't finished school.

Nyree joined a self-reliance group at Church, and they helped her feel hope. She understood that she could learn skills to help her family become self-reliant.

With her group she set shortterm and long-term goals to earn more money and help her children be strong.





KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Nyree's story.

Understood	Short-Term	Worried	Group
Increase	Норе	Self-Reliant	Long-Term
Enough	Money	Income	Expenses

SENTENCES

Read aloud and complete the s	sentences below:	
Nyree felt	and	·
Her husband		·
She needs money for		·
She set abecome		goals so she can
l can join a self-reliance		
In a self-reliance group I c	an learn to	·
If I had more money, I coul	ld	·
Look again at the list of words at least two of these words in e		read aloud two sentences using

LET'S TALK ABOUT NYREE

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

What happened to Nyree?

How did she feel?

How did her self-reliance group help her?

What does it mean to be self-reliant?

What is a goal?

What was one of Nyree's goals?

How do you think goals could help Nyree become self-reliant?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

Have you ever had an experience where you felt like Nyree?

How could making goals help you?

What are some ways you could increase your income?

Would you like to join a self-reliance group?

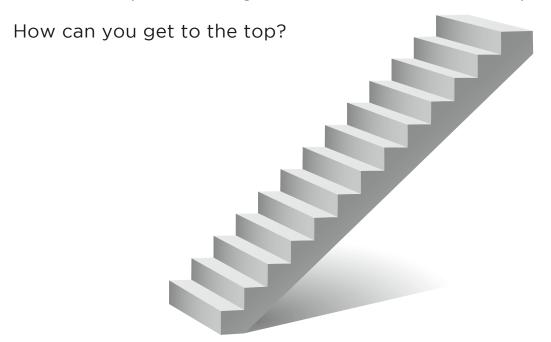
Name one or two of your long-term goals.

YOUR STEPS TO BECOME SELF-RELIANT

Read aloud and discuss.

Have you ever climbed a long staircase like the one in this picture? Where?

Would it be possible to go from the bottom to the top in one step?



Like climbing this staircase, big goals like self-reliance, your own business or strong English skills can't be reached all at once. You reach success one step at a time. We call successes at the top long-term goals and smaller steps to reach these goals are short-term commitments.

Can you reach your long-term goals without short-term commitments?

Do you think increasing your income will be easy?

Why is each step important?

As a step in your journey to self-reliance each session you'll have assignments to do at home. These will be your weekly short-term commitments.

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and complete these ideas:

1. YOU AND YOUR FAMILY CAN BECOME SELF-RELIANT

The Lord wants you to be self-reliant, and He will bless you as you strive to support your family. As you work through this course, you can learn skills and ideas to increase income and make your family stronger.



2. BECOME PART OF A SELF-RELIANCE GROUP

Through the Church, you can join a Self-Reliance Group. In this group, you'll get together with friends and neighbors to learn and help each other.

3. MAKE AND KEEP COMMITMENTS

What are some commitments you'll need to make and keep to become self-reliant?

4. LEARN SKILLS TO INCREASE YOUR INCOME

What skill could you learn that might help you increase income?

How could a Self-Reliance Group help you learn these skills.

LET'S GO DO IT!

Go to the My Progress Journal on page 64 and apply what you've learned. Each session, we'll present homework assignments for the coming week. Complete these commitments at home and share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 3.
- 2. I will write and tell someone else one of my long-term goals.

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- Did you complete last week's commitment to write two sentences and one of your long-term goals in the My Progress Journal at the end of this manual?
- Take 5 minutes for students to read aloud one of their sentences and to discuss their long-term goal.

2 YOUR BUDGET LESS EXPENSE & MORE INCOME

"It is essential that we develop a spending and savings plan — a budget — and distinguish between wants and needs."

• Robert D. Hales



Read aloud and discuss:

DIYAN'S STORY

On monday Diyan thought he had more than enough money to pay the family's rent. By the end of the week when it was time to pay, he only had half the cash needed.

"I'm afraid about my future. Every month I think I can pay the bills, but I end up running out of money. I don't know what to do."

His friend showed him how he could develop a budget to plan and keep track of his finances. With a budget he found ways to control his expenses, increase income and start saving money.

Expense

Future

KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

Control

WORDS

Develop

Discuss what these words mean to you:

	Budget	Income	Increase	Finances
6 =	NTENACA			
SE	NTENCES			
Rea	d aloud and con	nplete the sentences	below:	
Diy	an had only h	alf the cash neede	d to pay	·
Diy	an was afraid	about his		
Eve	ery month he	ended up		
Αb	oudget helped	him		expenses.
Αb	oudget helped	him		income.
Αb	oudget helped	him start		
lf I	increase my ir	ncome, I can		·
	•	st of words above. Wi e words in each sente		two sentences using

LET'S TALK ABOUT DIYAN

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

What happened to Diyan?

How did he feel?

What is a budget?

How did a budget help him?

How could he increase his income?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

Have you ever had an experience when you felt like Diyan?

How could a budget help you?

What are some ways you could control your expenses?

What are some ways you could increase your income?

What can you do to start saving?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

MAKE A BUDGET

Read aloud and complete this activity:

Under the word "PLAN" on the "Total Income" write the money amount you expect to get during the coming month. Now look below for things that you will need money for. These are your expenses.

Write all your expenses. For example, by the word "Food," write what you'll need to spend on food. Do the same for the other expense lines. Now add all expense amounts and write the total on the line "Total Expenses." Look again at the "Total Income" line. If income and expense amounts are not the same, you'll want to see if you can spend less or increase income to adjust the numbers.

DIYAN'S BUDGET

	PLAN	ACTUAL
Total Income	2000	
Expenses		
Donations	200	
Savings	200	
Rent	550	
Utilities	80	
Food	450	
School	200	
Transportation	50	
Insurance/Medical	200	
Entertainment	70	
Other:		
Total Expenses	2000	

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

MAKE A BUDGET

Read aloud and complete this activity:

During the weeks to come, keep track of your budget to see if your actual expenses and income match what you wrote. By learning how you really spend your money, you can start to control your expenses.

YOUR BUDGET

YOUR BUDGET	PLAN	ACTUAL
Total Income		
Expenses		
Donations		
Savings		
Rent		
Utilities		
Food		
School		
Transportation		
Insurance/Medical		
Entertainment		
Other:		
Total Expenses		

LET'S GO DO IT!

Read Aloud and Discuss These Questions:

- Do your expenses match your income?
- Look at your budget. Will you have enough income to cover expenses?
- If you could increase income, what additional expenses would you cover?
- How much money do you think you need to support your family?
- What skills could you learn that might help you increase your income?
- How do you think a Self-Reliance Group could help you learn these skills?

Here's your homework assignment for the coming week. Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal at the end of this manual and share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write two more sentences using words from the list on page 9.
- 2. Following the form on page 12, I will write a simple budget and make sure my expenses match my income.

NOTES		

- Did you complete last week's commitment to write two sentences in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual?
- Did you write a simple budget and make sure your expenses match your income? Take 5 minutes to discuss your budgets.

START SAVING

Read aloud and discuss:

MARYA'S STORY

Marya loves to cook. She has a long-term goal to start a pie shop. She has a small, older oven, but for the business she envisions, she'll need a bigger one.

She wants to borrow money for a new oven. She learns that with a loan you must pay back the money you borrowed plus a high rate of interest. Loan payments will be very high.

She decides to start smaller with the oven she already has and gradually attract customers and sales. This way she can save a little each week and eventually buy the oven without a loan.

By saving regularly and building her business step by step, she is achieving her long-term goals. "A penny saved is a penny earned."
• Benjamin Franklin



KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Marya's story.

Envisions	Selling	Interest	Attract
Customers	Purchase	Borrow	Saving
Regularly	Achieving	Loan	Gradually

SENTENCES

Read Aloud and Complete the Sentences Below:	
Marya wanted to start a business selling	
She's thinking about borrowing money to	. •
With a loan, you pay back	plus
Marya's loan payment will be	. •
She can save a little each week and eventually	
Marya is achieving her	
If I save money, I can	
Look again at the list of words above. Write and read aloud three sentences at least two of these words in each sentence:	using

LET'S TALK ABOUT MARYA

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

What happened to Marya?

How did she feel?

Why was she thinking about borrowing money?

Why didn't she get a loan?

How will she get enough money to purchase a new oven?

How is saving helping her?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

Have you ever had an experience when you felt like Marya?

Have you ever saved money?

If you got a loan, how could you afford to pay back the money you borrowed and also pay the interest?

How could saving help you?

How can you save money and also cover your daily expenses?

What can you do to start saving?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

Savings can allow you to have money to cover emergencies and reach your goals. Savings can help you get money to start a business

Here are the steps you can take to start saving:

1. LOOK AGAIN AT YOUR BUDGET

Thoughtfully consider your income and expenses. Figure out how you might reduce expenses or increase income. This can help you free up money to pay yourself through savings.

2. SET YOUR SAVINGS GOAL

What money will you need in the future? How much will you need for school fees, medical emergencies, special events or starting a business?

3. SET A REGULAR SAVINGS TARGET

Even if it's a few coins, save a little each time you get some income.

4. MAKE SAVINGS A LIFE-LONG HABIT

After you meet each savings goal — such as starting your business, paying school fees, or buying something important for your family — set your next savings goal Make savings an ongoing part of your life.

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and complete this activity:

ACTIVITY

CREATIVE WAYS TO SAVE

As a group, discuss creative ways to do the following:

- 1. Reduce expenses
- 2. Increase income
- 3. Start an ongoing savings habit
- 4. Gather information about local organizations that offer savings programs. (For example: which stores have the best sales, use coupons or buy in bulk.)



LET'S GO DO IT!

Here's your homework assignments for the coming week. Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual? Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 15.
- 2. I will start saving. I will set an amount even if it's a coin or two and put it aside to get started. I will continue to put aside money each week to make savings a life-long habit.



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- Did you complete last week's commitment to write two sentences and start savings?
- Take 5 minutes for students to discuss how their first week of saving went.

4 YOUR PATH JOB, BUSINESS & SCHOOL

"Choose your path and set your compass. Then start walking."

Read aloud and discuss:



Alisi has a long-term goal. She keeps a budget. She plans to double her income in two years and follow a path to success. She hopes to be self-reliant. She knows that to earn and save more money, she needs to find a job, start a business or go to school.

She could enter school this fall and learn new skills. At this moment she has employment at a store. By saving her wages from work, she could earn funds to start a business. This way she wouldn't need a loan.





KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

Double	Employment	Success	
Skills	Loan	Path	

SENTENCES

Read Aloud and Complete the Sentences Below:	
You reach success at	a time.
Individual steps to reach bigger goals are short-term	·
Alisi plans to her income.	
Where does Alisi have employment?	
A budget helped him income.	
She could be earning funds to	<u> </u>
If she saved money, she wouldn't need a	·
Look again at the list of words above. Write and read aloud two sentences at least two of these words in each sentence:	using

LET'S TALK ABOUT ALISI

Wht is Alisi's long-term goal?

What does she hope to do in order to meet her goal?

Which path do you think Alisi should choose — get a job, start a business or go to school?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

What is your long-term goal for self-reliance?

Which of the paths — job, business, or school — might be best for you?

If you start a business, how could saving help you begin without taking a loan?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read Aloud and Discuss These Ideas:

1. YOU CAN MEET YOUR LONG—TERM GOALS BY MAKING AND KEEPING COMMITMENTS

Write some of the commitments you can make to meet your longterm goals.

2. YOU CAN EARN AND SAVE MONEY

With a business or a job, you can earn more income and set aside some for savings. School can help prepare you for work with more income.

3. CHOOSE YOUR PATH - JOB, BUSINESS, OR SCHOOL

What do you think you need to do to prepare for each of these paths?

Would it be possible to pursue more than one of these paths?

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LET'S GO DO IT!

Here's your homework assignments for the coming week. Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 21.
- 2. I will come to the next session prepared to say a sentence or two in English that describles wich path job, business or school I think would be best for me.



- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 5 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences and say aloud a sentence or two that describes which path — job, business or school — you would like to follow.

5 YOU CAN START A BUSINESS

Read aloud and discuss:

BRADY'S STORY

Brady wonders if he can start a business. He hasn't been able to find a job, he doesn't have money for school, and he needs to support his family.

He wants to own a business and make money on his own schedule. In a business he can be his own boss, learn skills and add value to his community and his family.

Brady isn't sure what business he wants, but he has ideas. He likes working with cement and carpentry, and has tools. He enjoys meeting people. He's willing to work hard inside or outside.

Brady is ready to learn. He thinks that his self-reliance group can help him get started. "Any time is a good time to start a business."

· Ron Conway



KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Brady's story.

Owning	Boss	Schedule	
Family	Outside	Inside	

SENTENCES

Read aloud and complete the sentences below:
Brady can't find a and doesn't have money for
He needs to his
List three reasons Brady wants to start his own business:
1
2
3
Look again at the list of words above. Write and read aloud two sentences using at least two of these words in each sentence:

LET'S TALK ABOUT BRADY

How could a self-reliance group help Brady?

What might he need to learn to start his own business?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

What are some of the things you could do to start a business?

What are some of your thought about starting a business?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR FAMILY BY STARTING A BUSINESS

With your savings and personal budget in mind, you can develop a business idea that will earn income to support your family's needs. Through careful planning and effort you can succeed.

2. THROUGH YOUR BUSINESS, YOU CAN STRENGTHEN YOUR HOME AND IMPROVE YOUR COMMUNITY

As you develop your business, remember that family, church and community are also an important part of becoming self-reliant. A wise business owner balances his priorities and learns how business, home, church and community help each other.

3. YOU CAN LEARN HOW TO RUN YOUR BUSINESS BY PARTICIPATING IN A SELF-RELIANCE GROUP

By participating in your self-reliance group and completing your commitments and homework assignments, you'll be able to start and grow your business.

LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 25.
- 2. I will come to the next session prepared to say a sentence or two in English about my ideas for starting a business.

NOTES



- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 5 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences and say aloud a sentence or two that describes your ideas for starting a business.

6 PRODUCT

Read aloud and discuss:

MEILEE'S STORY

Meilee is determined to start a business. Before she can begin, she needs to decide what product or service she will sell.

First she lists her own talents and resources. She enjoys cooking. She has many delicious recipes and makes great Chinese food.

She thinks about customers, about what sells and what her competition does. She discovers that people in her town enjoy eating out, but there are already many Chinese restaurants.

None of these places sell the noodle dishes she makes. She opens a stand called *Meilee's Delicious Noodles*. Customers love her noodle bowls which she serves quickly for low-cost. Her product is a recipe for success.

"Customers often know more about your products than you do. Use them for inspiration and ideas...." • David J. Greer



KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Meilee's story.

Product	Service	Talent	
Resources	Customer	Competition	

SENTENCES

Read aloud and complete the sentences below:
Before Meilee can start a business, she needs to decide what or she will sell.
To choose her product, she first considers her and
List two other things Meilee thinks about to choose her product:
1
2
Look again at the list of words above. Write and read aloud two sentences using at least two of these words in each sentence:

LET'S TALK ABOUT MEILEE

What things does Meilee consider in choosing her product?

Why do you think customers are buying Meilee's product?

Do you think Meilee would have done better is she had started a larger restaurant instead of a smaller stand? Why?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

What steps will you take to choose your product or service?

Why is it important to understand yourself, your customers, and your competition as you select your product or service?

What product are you considering for your business?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. KNOW YOURSELF

Draw upon your desires, talents and resources for your product.

2. KNOW YOUR CUSTOMERS

Think about who your customers are. Would they buy your product?

3. KNOW WHAT SELLS

Find out what products and services are selling in your area. You need to sell something that people will buy.

4. KNOW YOUR COMPETITION

Visit potential competitors. Find out what they do and figure out how to do it differently and better.

LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 29.
- 2. I will seriously consider the product I want to sell, develop a list of three product ideas that appeal to me and visit some prospective competing businesses.
- 3. I will come to the next session prepared to say a sentence or two in English about the product I'm considering.



- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 5 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences and say aloud a sentence or two about the product or service that you are considering.

PLAN

"Before beginning, plan carefully."
• Cicero

Read aloud and discuss:

NOUR'S STORY

Nour chose shoes as his product to sell. Now he needs a plan.

In his group, he learned about the **6 P's of Business**: Product, Plan, Price, Paperwork, Promotion, and Process. These six concepts — all starting with the letter "P" — offer a simple framework to understand and plan a business. Nour's business is based on the 6 P's.

His **Product** is shoes. His **Plan** identifies the steps he'll take. He'll need to set the right **Price** for his shoes. With **Paperwork** he'll keep a records of income and expense. With **Promotion** he'll attract customers and sales. He'll carefully develop the **Process** to acquire and sell his shoes.

With his 6 P's plan, Nour's shoe business will thrive and grow.



KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Nour's story.

6 P's	Framework	Product	Price	
Plan	Paperwork	Promotion	Process	

SENTENCES

Read aloud and comp	lete the sen	tences below:
Nour has chosen h	is P	He sells
He needs a P		_ to move his business forward.
His plan is based o	n the 6 P's	s of Business. The 6 P's include:
1	3	5
2	4	6
With his 6 P's plan	, Nour's bu	usiness will and
Look again at the list of at least two of these v		ove. Write and read aloud two sentences using the sentence:

LET'S TALK ABOUT NOUR

Why did Nour need to choose a product or service idea before he could create his plan?

How does his plan help his business thrive and grow?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

What is your product or service idea?

What's the value of having a plan for your business?

How could the 6 P's help your business?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. IF YOU FAIL TO PLAN, YOU PLAN TO FAIL

2. IN YOUR PLAN, REMEMBER TO "EAT THE ELEPHANT"

Like eating an elephant, you start and grow your business "one bite at a time." Success in business takes consistent effort and patience.

3. PUT IT IN WRITING

Write down your plan, including goals, ideas and agreements.

4. APPLY THE 6 P'S

Learn and practive these six concepts for bussiness success.

5. CREATE 3 PLANS — BUSSINESS, HOME & COMMUNITY

To be self-reliant, you'll need to balance business, family and church/community priorities.



LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 33.
- 2. I will choose my product or service idea and use that idea to start defining the 6 P's of my business plan.
- 3. I will come to class next time prepared to say aloud a sentence or two in English about my 6 P's business plan.

NOTES



- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 5 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences and say aloud a sentence or two about your product or service idea and business plan.

PRICE

Read aloud and discuss:

TIRA'S STORY

Tira's business idea is to sell candy. She wants to set the best price for her product — not too high or too low.

To understand more about the price she should charge, she visited nearby candy stores and wholesale suppliers to find out what others are charging.

She discovered that she can buy large bags with 200 pieces of candy and then put a few pieces into more convenient, smaller bags. If she charges more per piece in the smaller bags, she can make a good profit.

Now she needs to figure out the number of pieces in the smaller bags and the price she can charge. "The buyer is entitled to a bargin. The seller is entitled to a profit. So there is a fine margin in between where the price is right."

Conrad Hilton



ACTIVITY

TIRA'S PRICE FOR CANDY

Tira can buy large 200-piece bags of candy for \$20. Her cost for ten pieces is \$1. Her cost for one piece is \$0.10.

She tried selling small bags with 10 pieces for \$3. For every bag she would spend \$1 and make \$3 for a gain of \$2. Customers were not willing to pay this amount. Her price was too high.

Then she tried selling mid-sized bags of 30 pieces for \$5. For every bag she would spend \$3 and make \$5. Customers felt okay about this price and she began making sales.

She next tried selling 10 pieces in an attractive gift box. The gift box cost 1. The 10 pieces cost 1. Her true cost was 2. By adding value to her product she was able to sell these candy boxes for 4.

Number of pieces	200
Cost per bag	\$20
Cost for 10 pieces	\$1
Cost for 1 piece	\$0.10

Number of pieces	10
Price per bag	\$3
Cost per bag	\$1
Profit per bag	\$2
Profit per piece	\$0.20

Number of pieces	30
Price per bag	\$5
Cost per bag	\$3
Profit per bag	\$2
Profit per piece	\$0.06

Number of pieces	10
Price per box	\$4
Cost per box	\$2
Profit per box	\$2
Profit per piece	\$0.10

Now Tira is using two price arrangements — a 30-piece bags and a 10-piece boxes. With these prices, her business is growing.

Which price arrangement — the 30-piece bag for \$5 or the 10-piece box for \$4 — yields the greatest profit for Tira?

KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discovered

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Tira's story.

Wholesale

Convenient	Add Value	True Cost	Charge
SENTENCES	;		
Read aloud and co	mplete the sentences i	below:	
Why did Tira vis	sit candy stores and	l wholesale supplie	rs?
into more	ge bags with 200 p, ood pricing arrange	ba	gs.
			-
	g: True cost — :: True cost —	Tira's pr Tira's pr	
•	list of words above. Wr se words in each sente		o sentences using

Supplier

Profit

LET'S TALK ABOUT TIRA

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

Why did Tira want to find the right price for her product?

How did Tira know she was charging too much for her candy?

What was the true cost of her candy when she added the gift box?

How did adding value (the gift box) change the true cost and price of her product?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

Read aloud and discuss these questions:

How could visiting other businesses help you set your price?

Why is it timportant to find the right price for your product?

How can you know if you're charging too much for your product?

How can you know if your price is too low?

What is the true cost of your product or service?

How mush more than your true cost do you think customers would pay for your product or service?

How could you add value to your product and increase the price?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. KNOW THE TRUE COST OF YOUR PRODUCT OR SERVICE

Your true cost includes not only buying or making your product, but also packaging, transport, rent, utilities, commissions and promotions.

2. REDUCE COSTS

Think of ways to reduce expenses without cutting value.

3. ADD VALUE AND INCREASE YOUR PRICE

Look for ways to add convenience, quality, or appeal as you increase your price and profits.



LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 38.
- 2. I will work out the true cost of my product and find ways to reduce costs and add value so I can increase my price.
- 3. I will come to the next session prepared to say a sentence or two in English about how and why I set my price.



- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 5 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences and say aloud a sentence or two about you set your price for your product.

PAPERWORK

"Not maintaining proper records is one of the main causes of business failure."

Read aloud and discuss:

JERAD'S STORY

Jerad started selling tangerines, grapes, and bananas. At his busy stall, he had many customers and got lots of cash. He didn't keep records or save money. He bought new fruit each morning, rented a stall and covered family expenses.

For his wife's birthday, he bought an expensive necklace. He let his brother take some fruit for a party. Also, he paid his son's school fees.

With all the cash he had each day, he thought there would be plenty for these expenses. But when it was time to pay the weekly stall rent, there wasn't enough. He had to buy less fruit that morning and ran out by noon. Then he had far less cash than the day before and even less to buy fruit the next day. Suddenly his business is in trouble.

ACTIVITY

JARED'S STORY (CONTINUED)

SAVING HIS BUSINESS WITH PAPERWORK

Jared needed cash to save his business. He returned the necklace and TV he bought and stopped giving away fruit to family. He started keeping a daily record of his fruit sales and wrote down expenses.

He paid himself a commission and stopped using business cash for personal expenses. He created an income statement to show how his business was doing and started saving and keeping a budget.

KEEP RECORDS

Jerad had plenty of sales and handled lots of cash, but he didn't keep a record of where his money goes and how much he can spend. How could keeping records of income and expense — **Paperwork** — help him know how much money he really has?

SEPARATES BUSINESS AND PERSONAL MONEY

Jerad didn't separate his personal money from business money. If he bought something for the family, he paid with cash from the business.

How does keeping your business and personal money together create confusion? What problems did Jerad experience because he didn't separate his business and family money?

How does using business cash for family expense rob your business?

PAY YOURSELF A SALARY OR COMMISSION

Instead of taking money from business cash to pay for personal and family expenses, Jared could pay himself a salary or commission.

How would paying a salary or commission help Jared's business?

What is a commission? Why is a commission better than a salary for protecting your business?

JARED'S STORY (CONTINUED) RECORD YOUR INCOME AND EXPENSES

Jerad has learned how to save his business and make it grow. He needs to find out how much money comes for each of his fruit products and keep track of what his expense are.

How could a record of your income and expenses help your business succeed?

JARED'S INCOME STATEMENT

If you keep track of your daily income and expenses, you can make a monthly summary to know how your business is doing. This summary — called an **Income Statement** — will help your business grow. (Study Jared's Income Statement and the Blank Statement below.)

Income	
Banana Sales	2210
Grape Sales	2300
Tangerine Sales	1950
Total Income	6460
Expenses	
Bananas	1390
Grapes	1280
Tangerines	1040
Stall Rent	240
Transportation	110
Total Expenses	4060
Profit (or Loss)	2400

Income		
Total Income		
Expenses		
Total Expenses		
Profit (or Loss)		

KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Jerad's story.

Paperwork	Cash	Records	Expensive	Inventory
Separate	Rent	Salary	Commission	Statement

SENTENCES

Read aloud and complete the sentences	s below:	
Jared handled lots of	·	
He didn't bother to	or	
He needed to separate	_ money from his personal money.	
He needed to pay himself a	or	
A monthy summary of your incom Income	ne & expenses logs is called an	
Look again at the list of words above. Wat least two of these words in each sent	Vrite and read aloud two sentences using tence:	

LET'S TALK ABOUT JERAD

What happened to get Jared's business in trouble?

How did Paperwork save his business and help it grow?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

What must you separate your business money from personal money?

How can you keep track of you income and expenses?

What is an Income Statement? How could it help your business?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. DO PAPERWORK TO KEEP YOUR BUSINESS STRONG

If you don't keep a written record of your income and expenses, you won't know how your business is really doing. You need paperwork to know how much money you can spend.

2. ISEPARATE BUSINESS AND PERSONAL MONEY

Don't rob from your business. Don't eat your inventory. If you give money or product to family or friends, pay with your personal money.

3. PAY YOURSELF A SALARY OR COMMISSION

Pay yourself a salary or a commission (a percentage of your sales). This way you can have money for your personal needs and protect your business. Remember also to save and keep a personal budget.

4. KEEP A RECORD OF YOUR INCOME AND EXPENSES

Keep a log (list) of your daily sales and expenses. Summarize these transactions with a monthly income statement.

LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 45.
- 2. In my business I will separate my business and personal money, pay myself a salary or commission and keep a record of income and expenses.
- 3. I will come to the next session prepared to say a sentence or two in English about paperwork for my business.

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- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 5 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences and say aloud a sentence or two about paperwork for your business.

10 PROMOTION

Read aloud and discuss:

MAREN'S STORY

Maren sells beautiful necklaces and bracelets from home. She was too busy making her jewelry to bother selling it. She frowned when people asked about her product. She created great jewelry but did little to connect with customers.

She had few sales and ran out of cash to make jewelry. Her self-reliance group taught her about promotion. If you can attract customers, you can stay in business.

She made a sign and flyers, set up an appealing display and worked daily to grow sales. She smiled and talked with customers. She made a 30-second statement to describe her business and why her products are better.

Now her sales are growing.

"Without promotion something terrible happens... nothing."

· P. T. Barnum



KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Maren's story.

Jewelry	Attract	30-Second	d Statement	
Potential	Appealing	Display	Promotion	

SENTENCES

Read aloud and complete the sentences belo	DW:
Maren sells ,	and
Her self-reliance group taught her abo	out
If you can customers, you ca	an in
Promotion is how you attract custome Maren did to promote her business:	ers. Name at least three things
1	
2	
3	
She made a	
Look again at the list of words above. Write a at least two of these words in each sentence:	

LET'S TALK ABOUT MAREN

Why was Maren's business failing?

What did she do to improve her sales?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

Why is it necessary to show interest in your customers?

What can you do to promote your business?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. STATE YOUR BUSINESS IN 30 SECONDS

A 30-second business statement helps you quickly promote your business. It includes the name of your business, the product or service you provide and why your product is better than the competition.

2. BRAND YOUR BUSINESS

More than a logo or advertisement, your brand involves every customer interation — your smile, how you present your product, customer service, and customer impressions of your business.

3. CUSTOMERS FIRST

Make customers your first priority. Be friendly. If they know that you care about them, they are more likely to buy from you.

4. KKEEP YOUR PRODUCT AND SELLING AREA FRESH, CLEAN AND ORGANIZED

5. CONSTANTLY IMPROVE SALES

Work to help customers find your business and buy your product.



LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 49.
- 2. I will come to class prepared to describe my business or business idea in 30 seconds.
- 3. I will come to the next session prepared to say a sentence or two in English about how I will promote my business.

NOTES



- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 10 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences, say aloud a sentence or two about how you will promote your business, and share your 30-second business statement.

UNIT 11 PROCESS

"You have to work on the business first, before it can work for you." • Idowu Koyenikan

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Read aloud and discuss:

ALAN'S STORY

Alan runs a small bookshop. He learned that he could increase profits if he took time to improve his business process. His process includes all the steps he takes to develop and sell his product.

He looked at every aspect of his business and figured out ways to make it more convenient, cleaner, friendlier, cheaper and better.

He located new suppliers to get a better cost and variety of books. He started giving receipts and keeping an income statement. He tried to respond to customer questions and needs. He attracted more sales with a discount for every four books purchased.

All these small improvements helped him meet customer needs and increase his profits.



KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Alan's story.

Process	Suppliers	Receipts	Priority	Convenient
Attention	Consistent	Discount	Aspect	Purchase

SENTENCES

Read aloud and complete the sentences below:
Alan's business is a and
Alan took time to improve his business
He located some new to get better and
Alan found ways to make his business more, and,
Look again at the list of words above. Write and read aloud two sentences using at least two of these words in each sentence:

LET'S TALK ABOUT ALAN

Read Aloud and Discuss These Questions:

Why did Alan review his business process?

What did Alan do to make his business better?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

Read Aloud and Discuss These Questions:

Why do you think it's important to know and understand your business process?

What are the steps in your business process?

What can you do to improve your business?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. KNOW YOUR PROCESS

Identify all the steps you take to develop your product and get it to customers. Remember all the 6 P's.

2. CONSTANTLY IMPROVE YOUR PROCESS

Find ways to make your business more convenient, cleaner, faster, cheaper and better.

3. WORK ON YOUR BUSINESS, NOT JUST IN YOUR BUSINESS

Don't just run your business. Keep looking for ways to make it better.

4. USE TIME WISELY

Balance priorities. Schedule time to grow your business, strengthen your family and help your community or church.

LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 53.
- 2. I will come to class prepared to describe all the steps of my business process.

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Your process includes all the steps to make and sell your product. This example is the process for a banana chip business.











BUY

PREPARE

СООК

PACKAGE

SELL

- Did you complete last week's commitment?
- Take 10 minutes to read aloud one of your sentences, say aloud a sentence or two about your business process, and how you can make it better.

12 BE PART OF A SELF-RELIANCE GROUP

Read aloud and discuss:

KAREN'S STORY

Like you, Karen is finishing this course. She has learned business vocabulary and how to keep a budget. She learned of the 6 P's of Business and began saving money to move forward without a loan.

She chose her product. Now she feels ready to get started. She and her friends are forming a self-reliance group to learn how to make their business ideas work. Each week they will make and keep commitments. They will visit other businesses and start promoting their products. They will keep records of income and expense.

Each of them aim to write and implement three plans — business, home and church/community. They hope to become self-reliant.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

· Helen Keller





KEY WORDS AND SENTENCES

WORDS

Discuss what these words mean to you:

The terms listed below are words from Karen's story.

Vocabulary	Aim	Self-Reliance Group	
Intend	Implement	Move Forward	

SENTENCES

Read aloud and complete the sentences below:	
Name three things Karen learned in this cours	se:
She chose her and feels ready to g	
Karen saved money to move	without a
Karen and her neighbors intend to form a	·
What do they want to do in their group?	
What three plans do they intend to implemen	
Look again at the list of words above. Write and read at least two of these words in each sentence:	

LET'S TALK ABOUT KAREN

Read Aloud and Discuss These Questions:

Why do you think Karen decided to join a self-reliance group?

What are some of the important things she and her friends will be doing in ther self-reliance group?

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU

Read Aloud and Discuss These Questions:

What product do you want to sell? If you don't know yet, how and when will you decide?

How could becoming part of a self-reliance group help you succeed?

What do you need to do to join a self-reliance group?

IMPORTANT IDEAS AND SKILLS

Read aloud and discuss these ideas:

1. BEING PART OF A SELF-RELIANCE GROUP WILL HELP YOU SUCCEED

Your self-reliance group will enable you to learn, earn and serve together. You will start and grow your business.

2. MAKE AND KEEP COMMITMENTS

To meet your long-term goals you'll need to make and keep weekly short-term commitments. Regular step-by-step efforts will take you to the top. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.

3. DEVELOP THREE PLANS — BUSINESS, HOME & COMMUNITY

Increase your income. Strengthen your family. Improve your community.



LET'S GO DO IT!

Complete these commitments at home in the My Progress Journal on page 64 of this manual. Share with the group next time.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- 1. I will write and say two more sentences using words from the list on page 57.
- 2. I will keep practicing more English words and phrases.
- 3. I will join a self-reliance group to start and grow my business.

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RESOURCES

SUPPLEMENTAL LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Ideas for Facilitators to energize your group:

WRITE DOWN PARTICIPANTS' WORDS

As you discuss the stories in this manual, write words and sentences from student reponses. Use these words to create new sentences or paragraphs.

FIELD TRIPS: VISIT BUSINESSES OR RESOURCE AGENCIES

Take your class on a field trip to visit a nearby business, lender or resource agency to observe and discuss how they use the 6 P's of Business or any of the other lesson topics. Participants may want to write some interview questions to ask the people you visit. Discuss those questions as part of the visit.



WORK WITH REAL-LIFE DOCUMENTS

Use actual forms or hand-outs related to business or employment topics. Participants can practive filling out the forms and discussing the information.

CLIMB A STAIRCASE

The group leader stand at the top of the stairs (or the end of the hallway) and participants stand at the bottom. The participants' goal is to reach the top. To move each step, students must name a step they could take to achieve their business goals. Big goals might take them up more than one step. At the top, participants get a reward.

ORGANIZE WORDS VISUALLY

Seeing words and ideas connected visually through graphs, lines and drawings can help you understand their meaning more clearly. Here's a sentence with an important idea: "Success in business is built on the 6 P's of Business — plan, product, price, paperwork, promotion, process." How could you demonstrate this idea with a drawing or diagram? Here is an idea:



Or you could draw a circular "sun" titled *SUCCESS!* with six "beams" with the titles of the 6 P's or six "planets" named for the 6 P's that orbit the "sun." Use your imagination to create graphs or charts using vocabulary you want to learn.

POEMS, SONGS AND CHANTS

Identify, compose, write down and recite songs or poems related to your learning topics. This is a great way to express language and remember words and bring the group together.

MAKE A CALENDAR

As a list or on a calendar form, write important acticities (work, school, group meetings, assignments or church) and put them on the ate they'll take place.



VOCABULARY GAMES

Make a game with vocabulary words or phrases from the topics you've discussed. Be creative. Here are two examples:

Concentration: Write vocabulary words on two small pieces of paper. Place the paper face down and mix them. Take turns finding two pieces with the same word. The one who finds the most matches wins. Repeat the game with pairs of definitions or opposites or the first half of a sentence with the last half.

Word Guess: Write words and have teams or indiciduals guess the words by drawing pictures or acting out the meaning without writing the actual letters.

DRAW YOUR WORLD

Combine words with pictures. Imagine a business or other meaningful theme. As a larger team or in smaller groups, draw and label your theme. Here are some examples:

Your Group as a Vehicle: If your group or business were a vehicle, what would it look like and where would it be going? Take 30 - 45 minutes to draw and label your vision of where you've been and where you're going. Then discuss with the group.



Your Ideas: Draw a picture of needs in your community, relationships in your home or work or what your business or self-reliance would look like. If you can imagine a topic you can draw it as a picture. Label and discuss your picture with the group.

MAP YOUR WORLD

Maps can improve language skills. Make a community map and label where participants locate their businesses, where businesses already exist and new businesses are needed. Discuss and write sentences about what you discover.

DO A SKIT

Create a drama about a topic the group cares about. For example: a store owner with poor customer service skills, a father with a drinking problem or poor health practices at home. Use words written on paper as labels for characters or props like *CUSTOMER*, *STORE OWNER* or *CAFE*. Discuss and write about the skit.



MY PROGRESS JOURNAL

Write your homework assignments here:					

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ENGLISH FOR BUSINESS SUCCESS! OUTLINE

Unit 1: You Can Become Self-Reliant

You and Your Family Can Become Self-Reliant Become Part of a Self-Reliance Group Make and Keep Commitments Learn skills to increase your income

Unit 2: Your Budget — Less Expense & More Income

Make a Budget to Control Expenses and Increase Income

Unit 3: Start Saving

Look Again at Your Budget Set Your Savings Goal Set a Regular Savings Target Make Savings a Life-Long Habit

Unit 4: Your Path — Job, Business and School

You Can Meet Your Long-Term Goals by Making and Keeping Commitments

You Can Earn and Save Money

Choose Your Path — Job, Business and School

Unit 5: You Can Start a Business

You Can Support Your Family by Starting a Business

Through Your Business, You Can Strengthen Your Home and Improve Your Community

You Can Learn How to Run Your Business by Participating in a Self-Reliance Group

Unit 6: Product

Know Yourself Know Your Customers Know What Sells

Know Your Competition

Unit 7: Plan

If You Fail to Plan, You Plan to Fail
In Your Plan, Remember to "Eat the Elephant"
Put It in Writing
Apply the 6 P's
Create 3 plans — Business, Home & Community

Unit 8: Price

Know the True Cost of Your Product or Service Reduce Costs Add Value and Increase Your Price

Unit 9: Paperwork

Do Paperwork to Keep Your Business Strong Separate Business and Personal Money Pay Yourself a Salary or Commission Keep a Record of Your Income and Expenses

Unit 10: Promotion

State Your Business in 30 Seconds
Brand Your Business
Customers First

Keep You Product & Selling Area Fresh, Clean and Organized

Constantly Improve Sales

Unit 11: Process

Know Your Process
Constantly Improve Your Process
Work ON Your Business, Not Just IN Your
Business
Use Time Wisely

Unit 12: Be Part of a Self-Reliance Group

Being Part of a Self-Reliance Group Will Help You Succeed

Make and Keep Commitments

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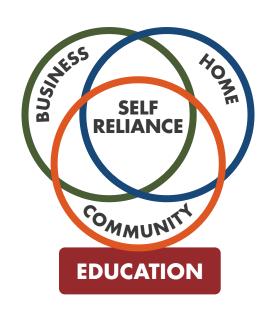
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