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Will Our Zoo Grow? A Kindergarten Fiscal Policy Adventure

Resource allocation, community budgeting, and societal trade-offs. Perfect for sparking high-level civic reasoning during your social studies circle time.

1. The Town Mayor has a big jar of money collected from everyone to pay for a new park. This money is called 'Revenue.' If the Mayor decides to spend all that money on a giant slide instead of fixing the broken swings, what is that called?

- A. A Trade-off
- B. A Secret
- C. A Birthday Gift
- D. A Mistake

2. True or False: If the government wants more people to buy healthy apples, they can use 'Fiscal Policy' to make the price of apples cheaper for families.

- A. True
- B. False

3. When the government builds a brand new bridge so people can get to work faster, they are using _____ to help the economy move.

- A. Magic Spells
- B. Public Spending
- C. Library Books
- D. Hide and Seek

4. Imagine the town has no more money left, but they still need to pay the Firefighters. What is one way the government can get more money?

- A. Asking a genie for a wish
- B. Finding a treasure map
- C. Collecting taxes from grown-ups
- D. Waiting for the Tooth Fairy

5. If the Mayor decides to GIVE money to a toy shop to help them hire more workers, this is an example of an _____ policy meant to grow the town.

- A. Expansionary
- B. Invisible
- C. Angry
- D. Sleepy

6. True or False: Every time the government spends money on a new library, they are making a choice NOT to spend that same money on a new swimming pool.

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- A. True
- B. False

7. Why might the government decide to charge a very high tax on 'Loud Noise Whistles'?

- A. To make everyone buy more whistles
- B. To discourage people from making too much noise
- C. Because they love the color silver
- D. By accident

8. When the town council looks at their plan for spending and saving money for the whole year, they are looking at their _____.

- A. Lunch Menu
- B. Scrapbook
- C. Budget
- D. Coloring Book

9. True or False: The government is the only group in the whole world that never has to worry about running out of money for projects.

- A. True
- B. False

10. If the town has a 'Surplus,' it means they collected more tax money than they spent. What is the most responsible thing for the Mayor to do with a Surplus?

- A. Throw it away in the trash
- B. Save it for an emergency or pay off old bills
- C. Buy candy for themselves
- D. Hide it under a rug