

ACTIVITY 2.3: 'Budget Basics' Video Assignments

1. Watch the "The Government of Canada's Budget" video and respond to the questions below.

a) What are three responsibilities at the **federal level** of government?

b) What is the term used for money that is **spent**?

c) What is the term used for money that is **earned** or **collected**?

d) What is difference between having a **surplus** and a **deficit**?

e) Why can a government **deficit** sometimes be necessary?

2. Watch the “The Government of Canada’s Expenditures” video and respond to the questions below.

a) What are the three main areas of spending by the federal government?

b) What are the three different types of **transfer payments**? Provide at least one example of each.

c) What are **program expenses**? Provide two examples.

d) Why does the government pay **interest**?

e) What is the impact of the federal government’s expenditures on you or your family?

3. Watch the “The Government of Canada’s Revenues” video and respond to the questions below.

a) What are the federal government’s three main sources of **revenue**? Which is the largest?

b) What are the different types of **tax revenue**? Provide details or examples for each.

c) What is the purpose of **Employment Insurance Premiums**? Who is required to pay into the fund?

d) What are **crown earnings**? Name two examples of crown corporations.