Teaching money can be hard; however, both instruction and learning can be improved through the use of visual aids. The following activity is created to teach how to add sales tax onto a transaction.

In addition to the use of visual clarity in helping your student pull out the amounts from the story problem, you can use a calculator and/or manipulatives to help enhance the independence and engagement of your student with the activity. If you are just introducing or teaching this concept to your student, the use of errorless learning along with these sheets will help teach the new concept in a lasting way.

### Materials Needed:

- Marker or pencil
- Activity (p.2-7)

**Optional:**
- Scissors
- 2-hole binder or rings
- 2-hole punch
- Laminator
- Calculator
- Money manipulatives

### Directions:

1. Print out pages 2-7.
2. Use Reward schedule if needed. **For additional information, see Reward Schedules How-To Template.**

**Optional:** Create a book for repeated practice to support the visual organization of task materials. To do so:

1. Laminate pages.
2. Use a hole-punch to make holes and insert into a binder.
Below is an example of how to complete each problem:

Leslie went to Express to buy a new pair of sunglasses to wear out on the boat. The pair she wanted costs $24.99, and sales tax in her state is 7%. After incorporating the sales tax, how much will the sunglasses cost?

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\begin{align*}
24.99 \times 0.07 &= 1.75 \\
24.99 + 1.75 &= 26.74
\end{align*}
\]
Sam went to Finish Line to buy a new pair of shoes for her after school walking club. The pair she wanted costs $54.99, and sales tax in her state is 8%. After incorporating the sales tax, how much will the shoes cost?

\[
\text{Cost of Item} + \text{Sales Tax} = \text{Total of Item}
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\text{Cost of Item} = 54.99
\]

\[
\text{Sales Tax} = 0.08 \times 54.99
\]

\[
\text{Total of Item} = 54.99 + (0.08 \times 54.99)
\]
Ian went to the bike store to buy a new lock for his bike. The lock he bought cost $24.00, and sales tax in his state is 7%. After incorporating the sales tax, how much will the lock cost?

\[ \text{Total of Item} = \text{(Cost of Item) \times (Sales Tax Rate)} + \text{Cost of Item} \]
Kayden bought his dad a new watch for Christmas. The watch he bought cost $75.50, and sales tax in his state is 7%. After incorporating the sales tax, how much will the watch cost?
Ian has been saving money for a new bike. The bike he wants costs $140.00, and sales tax in his state is 8%. After incorporating the sales tax, how much will the bike cost?

\[ \text{Total of Item} = \text{Base Price} \times \text{Sales Tax} + \text{Base Price} \]
Kayden needs a new basketball. The basketball costs $20.00 at Wal-Mart. The sales tax in his state is 7%. After incorporating in the sales tax, what will the basketball cost?

**Use the formula below to figure out the cost.**

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\text{Cost of Item} \times \text{Sales Tax Rate} = \text{Sales Tax Amount}
\]

(Add a decimal and 0 before the %. For example, 25% = .25)

\[
\text{Cost of Item} + \text{Sales Tax Amount} = \text{Total of Item}
\]
Sam bought a new necklace. The necklace she bought cost $15.00 and the sales tax is 7%. How much did the necklace end up costing?

Use the formula below to figure out the cost.

\[
\text{Cost of Item} \times \text{Sales Tax} = \text{Sales Tax Amount}
\]

(Add a decimal and 0 before the %. For example, 25% = 0.25)

\[
\text{Cost of Item} + \text{Sales Tax Amount} = \text{Total of Item}
\]

Total of Item