Elementary

Grades: 3-5

Diner City
This business game is all about building a diner empire and running the competition out of the city. Choose from burgers or sushi and keep those customers happy! You begin with a small scale restaurant and a few customers a day.

Eventually a competitor will open up nearby and you will both race to reach the level goal. Upgrade your restaurant but spend your money wisely!

FAQ

How easy is it to get started?
EASY! No registration is required. There is a recommended tutorial on the home page. There is a great deal of student support and the teacher would not necessarily need to view the prior to class instruction. However, best practice would require teacher to have background knowledge.

Is this website a stand-alone lesson or is it best used as a supplement?
This supplemental site supports elementary students’ understanding of costs involved in owning and operating a business. No site should serve as the primary source of instruction. Basic background is required for any online interactive gaming or the instructional meaning is lost.

How much time will my students need to complete the activity? Also, is this one activity or a series of activities that must be completed as a whole?
This game can be played multiple times with multiple outcomes. The game can be played within one class period. The support of the teacher economic lesson plans will ensure student understanding prior to gaming.

What kind, if any, assessments or pre-/post-testing is provided?
None
Are there any supplements or lesson extensions provided for the classroom?
No

What grade levels would benefit from this website?
This website is best used with students grades 3-5. However, students are required to read passages therefore reading proficiency is beneficial or readers may be required for those reading below grade level.

What topics are covered by this website?
Students will be exposed to earned income, saving, spending, goods, services, consumer, producer, decision-making, choices, goods, services, natural resources, capital resources, human resources, production, specialization & division on labor, human capital, profit, employee, work, and competition.

What Kentucky Core Content does the website address?
The site meets all the requirements for Kentucky Core Academic Standards (KCAS) for the economics strand of social studies.