

# Friends & Family Creation Nation

A Kid-Friendly Business Plan  
and Cash Flow Activity Book

**Make it. Price it. Sell it. Count it. Share it. Grow it.**

For the family meeting and sales table on Saturday, June 13, 2026, during the 10th Anniversary Celebration.

Products: badges, buttons, mirrors, stickers, and other small creations made by friends and family.

## Our Big Rule

**Everybody who helps gets noticed, respected, and paid something from the event.**

**BTN**

**STICKER**

**MIRROR**

# 1. The Big Idea

This business is simple: our family makes small, fun items and sells them together. Then we count the money, pay the costs, pay the helpers, and save some money so the business can keep growing.

Friends and Family Creation Nation is a family business club. Children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, parents, cousins, and friends can join by helping make, sell, count, clean, draw, design, talk, or organize.

<p><b>Mission Statement</b></p> <p>We create useful and fun items as a family. We learn business by doing business. We sell with kindness, count with honesty, and share the profit fairly.</p>
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<p><b>The 5th Grade Business Rule</b></p> <p>A business is not just money coming in. A real business knows three things: what it sells, what it costs, and what is left after the cost is paid.</p>
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Business Word	Kid Meaning
Sale	Money a customer pays us.
Cost	Money we spent to make the item.
Profit	What is left after the cost is paid.
Cash Flow	The way money comes in and goes out.
Supplies	The things we use to make products.
Pay Share	A fair part of the money given to helpers.

## 2. What We Sell

Start with easy items that can be made on a table, carried in a small box, and sold at a family event.

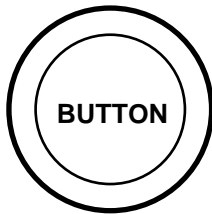
Product	Starter Price	Example Cost	Simple Profit
Sticker	50¢ or 3 for \$1	\$0.10 each	Price - cost = profit
Small button or badge	\$2	\$0.50	\$1.50 profit
Large button or badge	\$3	\$0.75	\$2.25 profit
Pocket mirror	\$5	\$1.25	\$3.75 profit
Special set: 1 button + 1 sticker	\$3	\$0.60	\$2.40 profit

### Important

The costs above are practice numbers. Before the meeting, write the real cost on the worksheet after you check the real supplies.

### Best Sellers for June 13

Make items that match the celebration: 10th Anniversary, Oran's Black Museum, Black Heritage, family pride, Omaha pride, baseball history, and positive Black history.



### 3. The Cash Flow Story

Cash flow means watching where the money goes. A sale is not finished until we know what bucket the money belongs in.

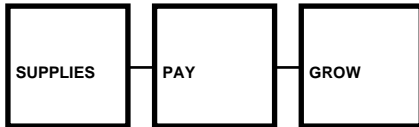
When one button sells for \$2 and it cost 50¢ to make, the family made \$1.50 profit.

Step	Money Math	What It Means
1. Customer pays	\$2.00	Money comes in.
2. Pay back supplies	-\$0.50	Replace what we used.
3. Profit left	\$1.50	This is the money we can split.
4. Save to grow	30¢	Buy more supplies and keep the business alive.
5. People pay	\$1.20	Share with the helpers.

**Three Money Buckets**

1) Supplies Bucket: replaces materials. 2) People Pay Bucket: pays helpers. 3) Grow Bucket: saves for more tools, more supplies, and the next event.

**Every sale fills 3 buckets**



## 4. The Simple Pay Plan

This plan keeps the business fair. It also teaches that work, teamwork, and responsibility have value.

**First Rule: Pay Back the Supplies**

Before anybody gets paid, the business pays back the cost of what was used to make the item.

**Second Rule: Save Some Money**

A business that spends all its money cannot grow. Put part of the profit back into the Grow Bucket.

**Third Rule: Share the People Pay Bucket**

Everyone who helps gets at least one helper share. Bigger jobs can earn extra shares.

Job	Helper Shares
Came to the meeting and helped	1 share
Made or cut out products	1 share
Designed artwork or slogans	1 share
Talked to customers politely	1 share
Helped sell at the table	1 share
Helped count money or keep tally	1 share
Helped set up or clean up	1 share

**Example:** If the People Pay Bucket has \$60 and the family earned 30 helper shares, each share is worth \$2.

## 5. Jobs Everyone Can Do

A family business works best when each person has a job. Even small jobs matter.

Team Job	What the Person Does
Creator	Draws, colors, cuts, punches, presses, or assembles.
Quality Checker	Looks for scratches, crooked art, loose backs, or messy edges.
Price Helper	Makes sure every item has a price.
Greeter	Smiles and says, "Welcome to Creation Nation!"
Storyteller	Explains what the item means.
Seller	Handles the sale with an adult nearby.
Counter	Counts money, writes tallies, and checks totals.
Runner	Gets bags, supplies, tape, paper, or water.
Clean-Up Captain	Keeps the table neat and helps pack up.

### Kindness Script

"Hello! We made these as a family. Would you like a button, mirror, badge, or sticker to support our Creation Nation table?"

## 6. June 13 Meeting Plan

Use this schedule to teach, make, sell, count, and celebrate in one day.

Time	Activity	Goal
Before 11:00	Set up tools, blank items, designs, price signs, bags, and money box.	Adults prepare safely.
11:00 - 11:20	Family welcome and business lesson.	Everybody learns the big idea.
11:20 - 12:20	Make products together.	Create buttons, badges, mirrors, and stickers.
12:20 - 12:40	Quality check and price items.	Make items neat and ready.
12:40 - 1:00	Practice customer talk.	Children learn confidence.
1:00 - 5:00	Sell during the celebration.	Earn money and serve guests.
5:00 - 5:30	Count money and fill worksheets.	Learn cash flow.
5:30	Pay shares and celebrate.	Everyone sees the result.

### Adult Safety Note

Adults should handle cutting tools, sharp edges, hot equipment, small parts, and the final money count. Children can help with safe jobs.

## 7. What We Need at the Table

Use this checklist before the celebration starts.

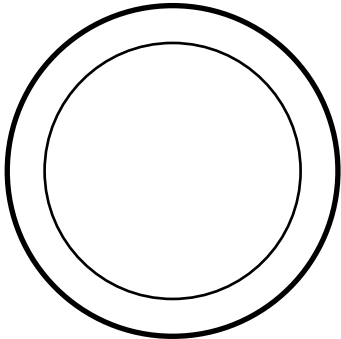
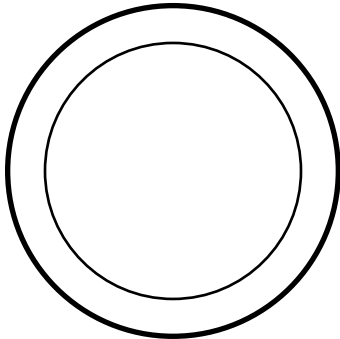
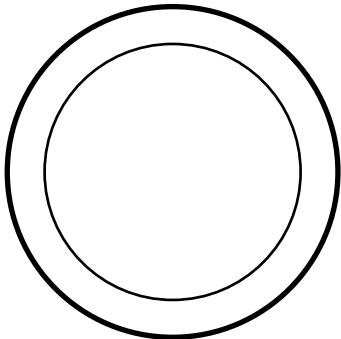
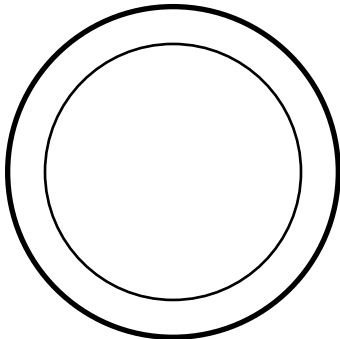
Supply	Check
Button maker / badge maker	■
Button parts / badge parts	■
Pocket mirror parts	■
Sticker paper or printed stickers	■
Scissors / circle cutter / paper punch	■
Markers, crayons, pencils	■
Price signs	■
Display trays or boxes	■
Cash box and change	■
Sales tally sheet	■
Helper share sheet	■
Bags or envelopes	■
Tape, clips, rubber bands	■
Trash bag and cleanup cloth	■
Water and snacks for helpers	■

### Display Tip

Put the brightest items in front. Put the price sign where customers can see it without asking.

# 8. Activity: Design Your Button

Color the circle. Draw a symbol, word, face, museum idea, family saying, or anniversary design.

 <p><b>Button Design Box</b></p>	 <p><b>Button Design Box</b></p>
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My best button idea is: \_\_\_\_\_

## 9. Activity: Make a Sticker Slogan

A slogan is a short saying people remember. Fill in the blanks, then make a sticker.

Try these examples: "Family Made." "Positive History." "10 Years Strong." "Creation Nation." "I Support the Museum."

### My Sticker Slogans

Write one slogan on each line

Draw your sticker shape below:



# 10. Activity: Price It Like a Business

Use practice numbers first. Then write the real numbers after you make the products.

Product	Price	Cost	Profit = Price - Cost
Sticker	_____	_____	_____
Small button	_____	_____	_____
Large button	_____	_____	_____
Mirror	_____	_____	_____
Special set	_____	_____	_____
My own product: _____	_____	_____	_____

**Profit Practice**

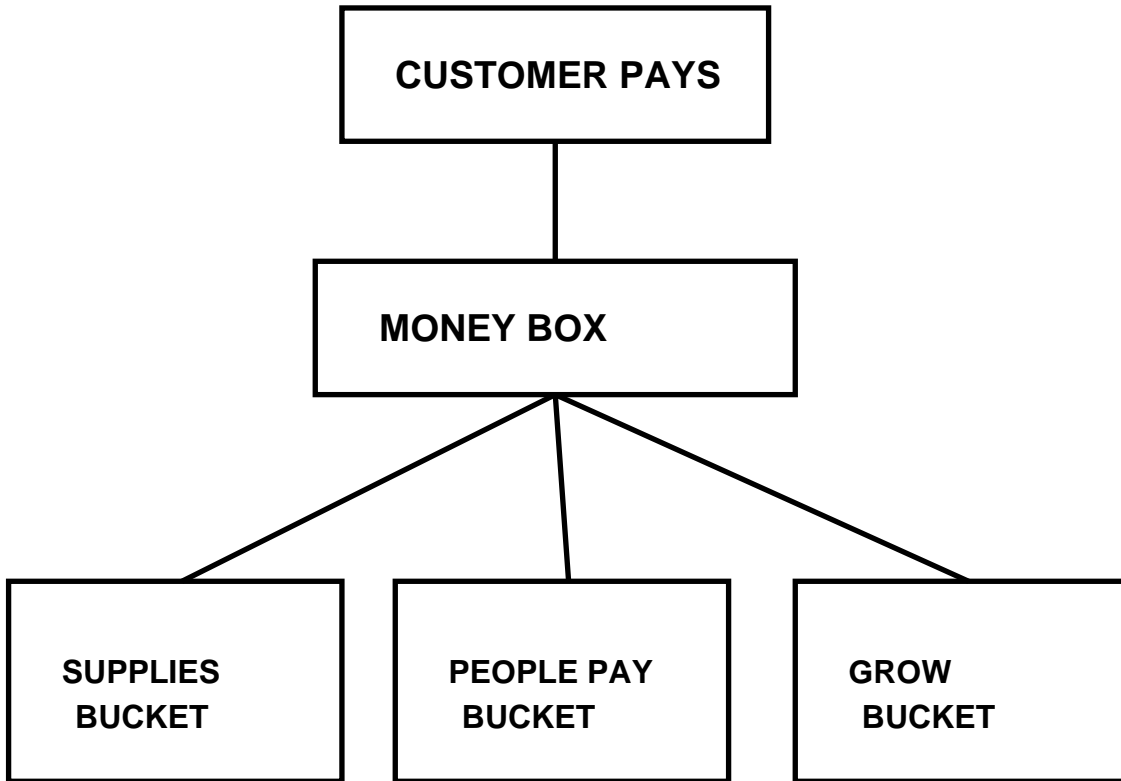
If a mirror sells for \$5 and it costs \$1 to make, the profit is \$4. That means  $\$5 - \$1 = \$4$ .

Now solve it: A button sells for \$3. It costs 75¢ to make. Profit is: \_\_\_\_\_

A sticker sells for \$1. It costs 20¢ to make. Profit is: \_\_\_\_\_

# 11. Activity: Follow the Dollar

Draw a line from the sale to the three money buckets. Then color the buckets.



**Cash Flow Sentence**

Money comes in from the customer. Some pays for supplies. Some pays helpers. Some stays in the business so we can do it again.

# 12. Sales Tally Sheet

Every time someone buys an item, make a tally mark. At the end, count the marks and multiply by the price.

Product	Price	Tally Marks	Total Sold	Money
Sticker	_____		_____	_____
Small button	_____		_____	_____
Large button	_____		_____	_____
Mirror	_____		_____	_____
Special set	_____		_____	_____
Other	_____		_____	_____

**Total money collected today: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Money in cash box at start: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Money earned from sales: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# 13. End-of-Day Cash Flow Worksheet

This page shows the children what happened to the money after the sale.

Question	Answer
1. How much money did customers pay us?	\$ _____
2. How much did our supplies cost?	-\$ _____
3. Profit before sharing?	\$ _____
4. Put 20% into Grow Bucket.	-\$ _____
5. People Pay Bucket left.	\$ _____
6. How many helper shares did we earn?	_____ shares
7. How much is one share worth?	\$ _____ per share

<p><b>Share Math</b></p> <p>People Pay Bucket ÷ Total Helper Shares = Pay for one share. Example: \$60 ÷ 30 shares = \$2 per share.</p>
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One helper earned \_\_\_\_\_ shares x \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per share = \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# 15. Customer Practice Page

Practice saying these lines with a smile. A good business treats every customer with respect.

Situation	What to Say
A guest walks by.	"Hello! Would you like to see our family-made buttons, mirrors, badges, and stickers?"
A guest asks what it is for.	"We are learning business and supporting our family Creation Nation table."
A guest says the price is too high.	"Thank you for looking. We also have stickers for a smaller price."
A guest buys something.	"Thank you for supporting our family business!"
A guest says no.	"Thank you. Have a beautiful day!"

## Write your own selling line

<b>My words</b>

## 16. Family Business Rules

These rules keep the business safe, honest, and joyful.

Rule	Why It Matters
Be kind to customers.	Kindness brings people back.
Do not grab money.	An adult and money counter handle cash.
Ask before using tools.	Some tools are sharp or need supervision.
Keep the table neat.	A clean table sells better.
Tell the truth about prices.	Honesty builds trust.
Help younger children.	Family business means teamwork.
Count twice.	Good counting protects everybody.
Celebrate every helper.	People matter more than money.

### Creation Nation Pledge

I will create with care, sell with respect, count with honesty, share fairly, and help my family business grow.

# 17. After the Event: What Did We Learn?

The best business people learn after every event. Fill this out before everybody goes home or at the next family meeting.

## Three things we sold well

<b>Best sellers</b>

## Three things we can improve next time

<b>Better ideas</b>

## New product ideas

<b>What else can Creation Nation make?</b>

<b>Next Family Goal</b>
Choose one goal: sell at another event, make a new design, buy more supplies, teach younger children, or start a Creation Nation savings box.

## Adult Leader Quick Plan

This is the short business plan the adults can follow while the children learn.

Part	Simple Plan
Company Name	Friends and Family Creation Nation
Purpose	Teach children and family members how to make products, sell them, count cash flow, and share profit.
Products	Badges, buttons, mirrors, stickers, and small keepsakes made by friends and family.
Customers	Guests at the June 13 celebration, family supporters, museum visitors, community members, and future pop-up shoppers.
Pricing	Use simple prices: stickers 50¢-\$1, buttons \$2-\$3, mirrors \$5. Adjust after real cost is known.
Cost Control	Track material cost for every product. Do not spend profit until supplies are paid back.
Pay Plan	Pay back supplies first. Put 20% of profit into Grow Bucket. Split the People Pay Bucket by helper shares.
Growth	Use saved money to buy more supplies, improve packaging, and prepare for the next event.

## Printable Mini Signs

Cut these out or copy them onto bright paper for the table.

<p><b>Friends &amp; Family Creation Nation</b></p> <p>Family-made buttons, mirrors, badges, and stickers</p>	<p><b>Ask Us What We Made!</b></p> <p>We are learning business today.</p>
<p><b>Every Sale Teaches Cash Flow</b></p> <p>Make it. Sell it. Count it. Share it. Grow it.</p>	<p><b>Thank You for Supporting Us</b></p> <p>Your purchase helps young creators learn business.</p>

**Color the signs before putting them on the table.**