

**40 BEST TIPS  
TO MAKE  
MONEY  
ONLINE**

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# 40 easy ways to make money quickly

## 1. No-risk matched betting

Hands down the quickest way to make a *lot* of money (well, without breaking the law). Lots of students have genuinely made £100s from this technique. It's completely legal, risk free, tax free, and anyone can do it.

It works by taking advantage of free bets regularly offered by betting sites through 'matching' them at a betting exchange. Matched betting eliminates the risk (you are betting both *for* and *against* a certain outcome).

This leaves you being able to squeeze out the free bet, which can be as much as £200! Multiply this by how many betting sites there are and you can quite easily come away with a profit of a few hundred pounds.

Owen walks you through how to make your first £18 profit (using a real life example) in this gem of a **guide to matched betting**. If you know of any better way to make £50/hr sitting at home, please let us know!

## 2. Online surveys

An increasingly popular way for students to make money is to fill out online surveys in their spare time. Research companies are always recruiting new members to answer surveys and test new products.

For a few minutes of form filling, you can make a couple of quid which is paid as cash or rewards. You can bag up to £3 (\$5) for some surveys!

## 3. Paid for searching the web

Interested in earning cash for doing what you already do online? This has to be one of the easiest methods of making money online without really any effort or change in your behavior.

This innovative idea by **Qmee.com** rewards you for searching in Google, Bing or Yahoo. You just install a simple add-on to your browser and when you conduct a search there may be a few sponsoEach Qmee result has a cash reward attached – if you are interested in it simply click on it and collect your reward.

The best thing is there is no minimum to cashout – our first one was just 72p wired to our Paypal account. You also have the option to donate it to charity.

## 4. Online market trading

The historically hard-to-break world of investing in stock markets and currencies has been cracked wide open. Today there is no need to be a fat cat or fund the yachts of *Wolf of Wall Street* style stock brokers. You can do it all yourself with the help of online market trading platforms.

I think \$200 is a good amount to get the most out of the learning curve by trying out a few different markets. If nothing else you'll learn a great deal about various investments and industries.

*Please be aware that CFDs are a leveraged product and can result in the loss of your entire capital. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Trading CFDs may not be suitable for you. Please ensure you fully understand the risks involved.*

## 5. Start your own website

Interested in generating *passive income*? You need a website. It's THE way to make money while you sleep.

Starting a website **with Bluehost** takes **less than 20 minutes**, costs hardly anything and can be done by **an 82 year-old**. It only takes a bit of plugging on social media to get your first visitors, and there are plenty of ways to monetise your site.

*Save the Student* is just one example of a successful website, started at university by Owen Burek in his first year, which has since grown into a full-time and sizable enterprise.

## 6. Review websites & apps for cash

Well it seems like you're pretty nifty with a web browser, so perhaps it's time to turn pro and browse websites as a paid and fun job!

Introducing **UserTesting.com** – a new platform that pays everyday people to review all kinds of websites. Each review takes around 20 minutes and bags you \$10 (£6.50) via Paypal.

## 7. The 'Disney Vault' secret

To keep demand high across generations, Disney Studios carefully restrict the supply of some home release classics. They are locked away in the 'vault' for 8-10 years before being released for a short unspecified time.

Buy them in this window at normal retail price and you can turn a nice profit when they go off sale for another decade or so.

For example, in 2011 you could buy *Beauty and the Beast* on Blu-ray 3D for just £24.99. In just a couple of years it was on Amazon for a staggering £74.99!

Importantly, not all Disney releases are subject to the vault and only the true classics will maintain such demand.

## 8. 'Get Paid To' sites

Similar to making money from online surveys, GPT sites reward you in cash and vouchers for completing various offers or activities online.

## 9. Become a delivery rider or driver

Got a bicycle, motorbike or car? What about a Smartphone? That's all you need to make some extra money by delivering food or people whenever you've got some spare time.

Sign up to delivery specialist companies like **Deliveroo** who are always on the hunt for new riders. They allow you total flexibility to work when you want, delivering food from restaurants the the customers' door. You can make up to £16 an hour.

Double-up your opportunities by directly contacting local takeaways and bigger chains like **Dominos** to see if they have any delivery jobs going.

## 10. Write and publish a Kindle eBook

If students are good at anything, it's researching and writing. With the **Amazon Kindle store**, *anyone* can publish an eBook and make money.

And the Kindle app is now available on almost any device (laptops, iPads, smartphones and yes, Kindles) so your global market is huge!

List your book for £1.49 – £6.99 and you earn 70% of the sale. Considering Amazon is the ultimate selling machine (and remember people are looking to spend), that is a fantastic deal.

The key to success with eBooks is to create value, and write non-fiction. Simply bundling information you have researched and compiled on a common problem (eg. 'secrets' to finding a job) and then presenting it in an easy to digest format (an eBook) justifies someone spending a few quid on it.

Another big tip is to have a great cover designed so it stands out, and once your book is live on the Kindle store it's really important to get some reviews so it shows up higher in results. Encourage readers to leave an honest review at the end of your book.

## 11. Affiliate marketing

If you've got a good presence on social media or perhaps you even have a blog or website, you can start bringing in money immediately by promoting all sorts of companies, products, services and offers online.

Sign up as a publisher on the **affiliate network**, check their offers blog or browse the merchant listings to find something you think your friends would be interested in, grab your affiliate link and share it. If someone buys (can be within up to 90 days) using your link you'll make a nice commission.

## 12. Mobile phone recycling

See how much you can get for your old mobile phone using our in-house **mobile phone price comparison** tool! Maybe ask your parents if they have any lying around too.

You can get some good money and help the environment by recycling mobile phones with certain companies listed on the comparison tool. But be aware: you won't always get the quoted cash since it depends on 'condition'. We recommend **Mobile Cash Mate** for the fairest and highest payouts in most cases (they sent us a £203 cheque for an iPhone 5).

## 13. Become a 'Clickworker'

The **Clickworker.com** concept is based on 'internet crowd-sourcing' where businesses advertise specific, scalable tasks they need completing quickly. And for us, it's an easy way to make fast cash from our couch.

There are a variety of tasks, but most commonly they involve mindless data entry, web research or form filling. You are rewarded and paid in cash (via Paypal) for the work you do, and you can choose for what and when you work. **Give it a go.** [If you're US based, also try Amazon's '**Mechanical Turk**'].

## 14. Claim tax back

Many students work part-time or during the summer months, and others will be on placements or paid internships. More often than not, if you are a student working during the year, you will be overpaying income tax.

Why? Simply because few students reach the personal tax-free income allowance each year *but* are put on an emergency basic tax-code by their employers meaning tax is being paid when it shouldn't be.

## 15. Get cashback when shopping

This is not only a way to make money but also to save money as a student. If you look at it in a different way then you are making money with every purchase you would have made anyway, whether it be 10% or 0.5% cashback.

There are a number of cashback sites out there which pay you the commission they otherwise would have earned.

## 16. Part-time job

A part-time job is the obvious first choice, opted for by most students looking to supplement their student loan. It provides a pretty steady flow of income and can enable you to gain valuable work experience.

But good jobs are not always easy to find!

Start with our **student job search**, then check local classifieds and your university careers service for vacancies.

## 17. Gigs on Fiverr

Fiverr is now the world's largest marketplace for people to make money selling small services (known as 'gigs').

What you offer could be absolutely anything, from writing and translating, **social media posting**, playing pranks and teaching to **creating music**, voiceovers and short video clips for people all around the world!

The default price is \$5 (hence Fiverr..), but you can attach extra services to gigs for more money. Whilst it might not seem like much, it can quickly add up and there are

plenty of examples of people making a really good living from the site. The key is to get a system in place which minimises the time spent on each gig.

**But** there is another way to profit even more from Fiverr for potentially far less work. How? By simply reselling gigs elsewhere. For example, find a decent **logo designer** then reply to jobs on **Upwork** or even local classifieds. A \$5 spend can easily become \$50+, and it's repeatable!

## 18. Review music for money

If you love music, make it your business by reviewing unsigned bands and artists online for cash with **Slicethepie**.

It can take a while to build up your reputation but some users of the site have said that they earn £40 a month. This may not sound like much, but if it's something you enjoy then it shouldn't be hard work and is another thing for **your CV**. Money you earn will be in \$US but anyone can sign up and review.

## 19. Sell your notes

If you don't mind sharing your notes with other students it's a great way to generate a little extra cash. There are sites out there that you can upload your notes to, along with your price, and then when another student downloads them you get paid.

Most of these sites like **Stuvia & Notesale** are free for you to list your notes but tend to take a cut of your profit in order to handle the marketing etc so that you don't have to go out there and promote your notes yourself.

You will most likely have to upload PDFs but it's worth it for the return and you can submit handwritten notes but you're likely to make more money if they're typed up.

## 20. Sell second-hand course books

One great way to make money is to buy other students' text books at the end of the year, and then sell them just after freshers' week – when the new intake of students know that they need them!

You can either advertise on campus or list them online very easily on **Amazon Marketplace**(just bear in mind they take a commission on books sold).

## 21. Competitions

Entering competitions of course comes with no guarantees, but there is a growing community of so-called 'compers' in the UK consistently making up to £50,000 a year through all sorts of competitions.

Types of competitions available to enter range from simple registration forms and Facebook page liking to answering questions correctly over the phone to being a TV game show contestant. Imagine you made it onto *Deal or No Deal* instead of just watching it!

## 22. Buy and sell domain names

A domain name is just a website address (eg. 'savestudent.org' or 'mysite.co.uk') and there are lots of extensions (.com, .net, .co.uk etc).

They cost as little as £1.99 to register with **GoDaddy.com** yet premium domain names can fetch £1,000s if not millions when sold on. In 2007 VacationRentals.com went for a cool \$35m!

Now you're probably not going to come across anything like that, but you can still turn a quick profit with a bit of searching. The trick is to find available domain names which have some commercial value, snap them up and then list them for sale on a site.

## 23. Mystery shopping

Today becoming a mystery shopper is easier than you think and you can get rewarded handsomely.

There are dozens of agencies that pay you to visit all sorts of shops and restaurants to feedback on how they are performing. **Tasking apps** are another form of mystery

shopping, where you earn rewards for completing small local tasks. It can be a lot of fun too!

## 24. Be an Extra

Do you fancy yourself as a budding young actor or just that person that walks past in the background shot of an episode of *Eastenders*? It could be you if you apply to be an extra in TV or film.

The pay isn't bad either: £60-80 a day on average, and you hardly have to do anything!

There are lots of casting agencies that place willing extras. They make their money by taking a cut from your earnings, so always ask what that is before you take on work.

## 25. Sell all your old CDs, games and movies

If you are looking to make a very quick buck, then selling your old bits and bobs that are cluttering up your room is a good idea.

The best thing about it is that you can rip all the songs and films onto your laptop or external hard drive before selling them. This means that you are only really selling the plastic and artwork!

You can earn anything from 10p to £20 per item, and the earnings can really add up if you have a large collection. Whilst you're at it, see if your parents have any 'clutter' they'd be happy to see the back of.

You can also sell almost anything for free on **Amazon Marketplace** or **Preloved** and sites like **MusicMagpie** will pay you instantly for sending in unwanted items.

## 26. Sell on your education!

Becoming a tutor to other students is easier than ever. Until recently your market was limited to local face-to-face sessions, but thanks to online tutoring sites you can go global!

**Udemy** allows anyone to create an online course (on literally anything!) and get paid forever after as users take it up.

For one-to-one tutoring, list yourself on **Superprof**, **SchoolsTrader** and **UK Tutors**.

You can expect to earn upwards of £10 an hour, and you don't have to be highly qualified to tutor younger GCSE or even A Level students. Get started with our guide to **making money as a private tutor**.

## 27. Sell your photos

If you think you've got a good shot and a little creativity, try uploading your photographs for free to stock websites. A good starting point is **Fotolia** or **istockphoto**.

Make more money selling photo subjects that have fewer search results but you feel would have some demand. It might be a good idea to test them out in print first yourself.

## 28. Rent out your car parking space

Some **student accommodation** comes with a drive or garage. If you aren't using your parking space and you live in a busy area then you might be in luck. There are plenty of people that may work in the city centre and are fed up of paying through the roof for daily parking.

Advertise your space on **Gumtree**, **Parklet** or **Just Park**.

## 29. Babysitting

It's a classic money-maker, and for good reason. You get paid (well) to watch TV and not very much else – hopefully!

If you are wondering what to charge have a look at **local ads**, but you can expect to be paid over £8ph even if you aren't trained in child care.

Aside from advertising yourself, it's free to create a profile on **Care Babysitting**. It really can be easy money (unless you get stuck with the child from hell!).

In the UK you will need a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check to look after small children, even though some parents may not ask for one.

## 30. Dog walking & sitting

If babies ain't your thing, then maybe canines are... looking after other people's dogs is big business. Just think that as a student you're likely to have free time during the day when others are out at work and worried about their pets at home.

You could bag around £7 an hour per dog, and it's also a great way to keep fit.

Join **Care Pet Care** who are best for dog sitting and also **Tailster** who specialise in dog walkers.

## 31. Become your own bank

'Peer-to-peer' lending is the future of banking. It cuts out the middle-man, passing on higher interest rates to you and cheaper loans to borrowers. And it's all managed online from the comfort of your sofa.

Founded in 2009, **RateSetter** was the first to reimburse lenders on late payments or defaults through its 'Provision Fund'. Effectively it is designed to be like a normal savings account. To date RateSetter say no investors have ever lost money, and they are fully FCA regulated.

Right now you can expect to achieve up to 5% fixed return, depending on how long you choose to lend for. If you can, go for the ISA account to earn interest tax-free.

There's no fee to withdraw your money from RateSetter, unless you lock in to a 1 or 5 year higher fixed interest rate where the early withdrawal fee is 0.3% and 1.5% respectively.

## 32. Work as a charity collector

Ok so this job takes a certain kind of person, as you'll have to take a lot of rejection and be persistent.

But if you are bubbly, personable and reckon you could sell ice to an Eskimo then this could actually be a great student money making idea. You get paid commission on new sign ups (typically around £20).

## 33. Rent out your house for filming

Directors for TV and film are always on the hunt for houses to film in. For instance, a scene for *Coronation Street* was recently filmed in the student house one of the *Save the Student* editors used to live in!

Not only can you make good money but it's crazy seeing your own place on TV.

## 34. Freelance work

Perhaps you enjoy writing, managing Facebook pages or doing a little bit of graphic design in your spare time. There are so many freelance jobs out there that require simple skills or just time that someone else might not have.

And the **best thing about freelancing** is that you can work for clients in the UK and around the world with just an internet connection from home, to your own hours whilst developing valuable skills.

A great place to start is with the leading freelance site **Upwork.com**. Or try using our **student job search** to find freelance jobs closer to home.

## 35. Sell clothes on eBay

Everyone's best friend when it comes to getting rid of junk is **eBay**. Online auctions are a sure-fire way to turn that sleeveless jacket (which came in and out of fashion in a week) into hard cash.

Some eBay sellers look at trends and try to predict what will be big ahead of the market. If you are good and don't mind taking a risk then you can buy early in bulk and sell on when the craze hits.

## 36. Sell your stories and videos

If you have an interesting story then you could try selling it to the papers. It could be anything from sleeping with a professional footballer to getting caught in a clothes horse!

One of the *Save the Student* team was unfortunate enough to have a pigeon fly through and smash their window at university and sold the story to *The Sun* for a tidy £50.

You could also film your mates at all times and send it into *You've Been Framed* to net yourself £250 and a few seconds of fame.

## 37. YouTube videos

According to recent stats we now watch more videos on YouTube than searches on Google. And with the recently introduced **YouTube Partner Program** you can now profit from making and uploading videos. You will receive a percentage of the advertising revenue collected per 1,000 views.

Depending on how successful you are (virality, subscriber base and topic) you can make a lot of money, and there are plenty of stories every week of more and more YouTubers making it their career.

## 38. Network marketing

Also known as Multi-Level Marketing (MLM), this is a business model that allows you to generate ongoing income in two ways: by making a commission selling products

and by recruiting other members who go on to sell. The later allows you to make money from the sales made by those you have recruited.

Importantly, this is not a pyramid scheme (they are illegal) because there is an end goal which involves a customer buying a product or service of value.

It's also not a 'get rich quick' scheme. You will have to work I'm afraid! However with the growth of social media, network marketing is becoming easier and lots of people are now making a decent living from it.

## 39. Source property for wealthy investors

We all know how much money there is in property, but on the surface (with house prices as high as they are) you might be thinking this market is off-limits.

Truth is, lots of people make a great deal of cash simply sourcing suitable properties for wealthy investors who simply have no time.

The trick is to find properties below market value (BMV) by avoiding estate agents and instead flyering your area with your contact details offering to buy houses. Then approach investors with a no-brainer offer to pass on the details of cut-price property in exchange for a % of the sale value.

## 40. Bitcoin and cryptocurrencies

We're increasingly being asked about how to make money from Bitcoin (and other cryptocurrencies). This isn't surprising given the ever-growing hype and stories of kids making millions.

Thank for reading this. The next part will be released soon online.

Good Luck! Have a Nice Day!