

Pensions

Quotations "I have this cozy house here and I get three pensions from the States. I've done nicely."

- Jonathan Frid

"I respect the state workers and I respect their unions, but we simply can't afford to pay benefits and pensions that are out of line with economic reality."

- Andrew Cuomo

Questions

- Do you have a pension? Does your government provide one?
- How do pensions work? Are there any flaws?
- Should pensions be taxed? Why or why not?
- Do you know anyone who is currently on a pension? What are they like?
- Should employers be forced to provide a pension?
- What is the best age to start a pension? How much should you save?
- In what ways can pensions be risky?
- Why (and perhaps how) do some pension funds collapse?
- Can you trust people who sell pension services to you?
- If you lost your pension pot today, how would you feel? What would you do to fix it? What do you think the government in your country would do?
- At what age would you like to retire?
- How does the fact that people are living longer change how pensions are used? Can you think of any examples?
- Should pensions not be linked to any changes in inflation?
- What is the minimum you could live on if you were on a pension?

Presentation Create a presentation on a method to encourage the young to save up for pensions as early as possible.