

15 Fantastic Ways to Start Making Money Right Now

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The following methods have all been checked for legitimacy and are efficient, easy ways to spike your bank account.

If you do just one of these 17 things, you'll be getting richer in a breeze.

1. Earn Gift Card Points Through [Drop](#)

- Drop is a company that provides cash rewards for money you already spend
- Just link your credit/debit cards to automatically earn points whenever you make a qualified purchase
- Exchange points for gift cards to well-known retailers, including Amazon, Starbucks, and more

2. Make Money Through Legitimate Surveys

- It is easy to make \$100 or more a month using trusted survey companies like:
 - [Ipsos Panel \(I-Say\)](#)
 - [Springboard Panel](#)
 - [InboxDollars](#)
 - And our personal favorite, [takesurveysforcash.com](#)

3. Get Money Back for Online Purchases Using [Paribus](#)

- Paribus is a tool (free to sign-up) that searches your e-mails for receipts
- When it finds out that an item you purchased through a qualified retailer has dropped in price, it automatically requests a refund from the retailer
- Paribus also gets you money back on shipping costs if the item was delivered late
- Paribus is *entirely automated*, which means you can sit back in ease and just watch the money pour in

4. Use the [QuizXT](#) App to Earn Rewards

- This app is especially useful for people that like trivia and quizzes
- QuizXT tests your knowledge on a wide variety of topics such as music, sports, history, etc., and rewards you points on *every* correct answer
- You can also get paid for taking surveys and playing games. That's right--*playing games*. Getting paid has never been this easy.

- If you'd rather get cash than gift cards, as a lot of people would, you can cash out using PayPal
- Extra: QuizXT will also reward you for watching shows (for example, watching *The Crown* and taking a short history quiz on what you've learned)

5. Get paid \$80 an Hour as a Part-Time Bookkeeper

- You can get paid an outrageous *\$80 bucks per hour* working at home. Take that, minimum wage.
- No prior training or experience needed other than computer skills (which almost everyone already has) and the willingness to assist business owners in solving problems
- Visit learntobeabookkeeper.com to learn more

6. Get Paid for Online Shopping

- Online websites like [MyPoints](http://MyPoints.com) allow you to earn rewards for shopping online, and also for printing coupons
- Cash out your reward points using PayPal, or get gift cards to Amazon, Walmart, and more
- MyPoints helps you to save money on everything you buy online

7. Sell CDs, Video Games, and Electronics

- [Decluttr](http://Decluttr.com) is an app that will pay you for your CDs, Blu-rays, video games, and hardware, including cell phones, tablets, gaming consoles, and even old iPods
- This app is great if you have this stuff lying around that you never use anyway
- What's great about this app is that you are not dealing with random strangers, like on Craigslist, rather, you are dealing with people that work for Decluttr that always have an interest in buying these items, so you already have a confirmed sale
- *Completely free* to use: there's no fees, and on top of that, free shipping is included

8. Make Money by Renting Out a Spare Bedroom

- Use the app [Airbnb](#) to make easy money by renting out a spare bedroom
- This app has the potential to make you thousands of dollars by just letting someone crash in a spare bedroom you never use anyways
- You have the potential to make a lot more money if you are a good host and include amenities (meaning the bedroom should probably include a bathroom and be stocked with toiletry items)

9. Make Money by Writing Blog Posts

- You don't have to have your own blog to do this, you are just a freelancer
- An especially good way to make money if you have writing experience--you don't have to be an English major, you just have to be a decent writer
- This is also a great option for people with expertise; there are a lot of blogs out there about a lot of different things, so odds are, you fit the bill
- Blogs usually pay \$50 to \$100 per article--good money!
- Check out these blogs as a start if freelance blogging is appealing to you:
 - [Listverse](#)
 - [Worldstart](#)
 - [The Motley Fool](#)

10. Sell Stuff on [Letgo](#)

- Letgo is an awesome app that lets you sell your old stuff quickly and efficiently
- Large amount of categories, ranging from tech, home, leisure, fashion, entertainment, and more, meaning no matter what you want to sell, you're good to go
- Tip: The next time you're considering dropping clothes off at Goodwill, use letgo instead and actually make some money!

11. Scan Your Groceries and Make Money

- Join the [Nielsen Consumer Panel](#) for free and start getting paid for simply scanning your grocery items once you get home

12. Make Money Being Healthy by Using [HealthWage](#)

- You can make money by placing bets on how much weight you lose!
- The HealthWage program is based on the idea that people are more motivated by cash incentives (which is certainly true)
- This program is great for people that are already trying to lose weight or looking for a motivating way to lose weight
- One user won \$1,200, and another user won \$3,000! The financial results can be quite substantial if you're willing to put in the time to lose weight

13. Get Paid by Simply Walking Into Stores

- [Shopkick](#) is an awesome app that allows you to get paid by just walking into certain stores
- Stores included are popular and most likely nearby, including places like Target, TJMaxx, Walmart, and many more
- Your points are redeemed through gift cards to popular retailers, including the aforementioned Target and Walmart, Starbucks, Best Buy, Sephora, and more
- You can get even more points by simply taking a photo of receipts which include purchases for qualifying items bought in-store
- You can even get points for making online purchases!

14. Earn Serious Cash as an [Uber](#) or [Lyft](#) Driver

- Working part-time as an Uber or Lyft driver is an easy way to spike your bank account; simply download the Lyft or Uber app and get started now
- There's always a demand for Uber or Lyft drivers--and the demand is only increasing
- It's simple to switch between the apps, so you don't have to be resigned to just one, which makes finding business even easier

- Full time Lyft drivers can make over \$750 a week, and the average weekly income for a full time Uber driver is about \$600 a week
- With Uber, you get to create your own schedule--you can work days, nights, weekends, or just whenever possible. It's completely up to you
- You can get paid for driving people places you may already go anyway!
- The qualifications for both apps are similar but there are some small differences:
 - To be eligible for Lyft, you must be 21 years old, have at least a year of driving experience, pass a background check, and use a car from 2007 or later.
 - To be eligible for Uber, you must be 21 years old, have at least a year of licensed driving experience (three if you are under 23), have a valid U.S. driver's license, pass a background check, have a four-door car and be able to seat at least four other people, be registered in-state, and have in-state insurance

15. Serve On an Online Mock Jury

- Lawyers perform mock juries online to perfect their cases, and they are willing to pay you for your help
- Hourly rates are anywhere from \$10-60 dollars
- It's all done right at home in front of your computer--you don't even have to leave the couch to make this easy money!
- Check out these awesome sites that can get you signed up now:
 - [National Research Staffing](#)
 - [SignupDirect.com](#)
 - [Ejury](#)
 - [Online Verdict](#)

