

some ideas for increasing your income

Here are a few practical ideas for how you could increase your income:



Is there an opportunity to do some overtime at work or even negotiate a pay rise? This is easier said than done, but if you don't ask you may not get! Could you consider a second or weekend job?

If you have a spare room, you could consider renting it out to a lodger: [gov.uk/rent-room-in-your-home](https://www.gov.uk/rent-room-in-your-home). Or perhaps you have a driveway or parking space you could rent: [justpark.com/about/rent-your-space](https://www.justpark.com/about/rent-your-space).



Hobbies can often be business opportunities waiting to happen. For example, card making, cake baking or sports training. Could you give music, language or computer lessons?

You can get cashback by using [topcashback.co.uk](https://www.topcashback.co.uk) when shopping online - but make sure you need to buy the product in the first place!



If you have non-dependent children living with you who are earning a wage, perhaps it's time to ask them to start contributing to the household budget?

Do you have anything you no longer need that you could sell? Why not make yourself a resolution that for every new thing that comes into the home, something old must be sold or got rid of: [ebay.co.uk](https://www.ebay.co.uk) or [gumtree.com](https://www.gumtree.com)



If you have old electronics such as a mobile phone or computer, you might be able to sell it. Many companies will now buy them for cash – search online.

Are you entitled to any welfare payments or benefits? Visit [entitledto.co.uk/benefits-calculator](https://www.entitledto.co.uk/benefits-calculator) for a free self-assessment.