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Pierre Roy

Teacher, Mathieu-Martin High School, Dieppe, NB

Pierre Roy is a twelfth-grade teacher at Mathieu-Martin high school in Dieppe, New Brunswick, who has incorporated The City into his mathematics course. He believes that it should be incorporated into all Grade 12 curricula: it teaches essential knowledge and skills, such as the different types of financial institutions, how credit works, the risks associated with credit use and how to create a budget. "The links with the school curricula are already made, so it is very easy for a teacher to take the resources and incorporate them into their lessons," Pierre says.

The City also allows the teacher to track the progress of each student and see where they might be struggling and what modules they have completed. The website is very appealing and students are excited to use it. "What I liked best was probably the characters," explains Samuel, one of Pierre's students. "You can live the life of a character, like in a fictional world. I thought it was pretty funky, so to speak. I find that capturing your attention like that helps you learn."

Pierre's students enjoy using The City because they have learned how to make budgets and what using credit cards can mean. Some of the students draw on their own experiences, while others prefer to identify with the characters in the Web resource.

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