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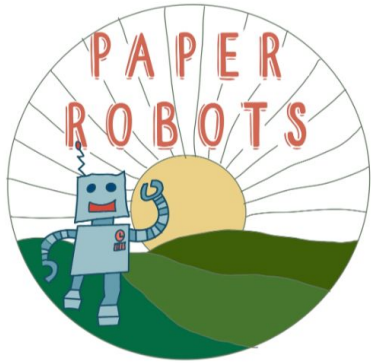
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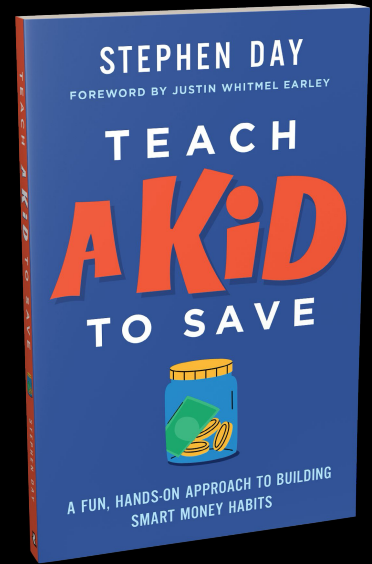
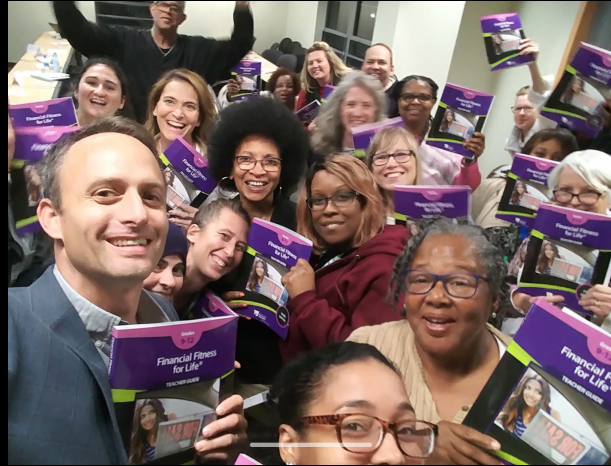


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The most common question I get from students who find me on social media isn't about inflation, or what the Fed is doing, or what my favorite economic model is. It's this:

Do I have to take math if I want to study economics? I'm not good at math.

I used to take so much time answering that question and adding a lot of nuance. Now, it just makes me feel frustrated. It is not a bad question, but it tells me about the person asking it and the environment they were



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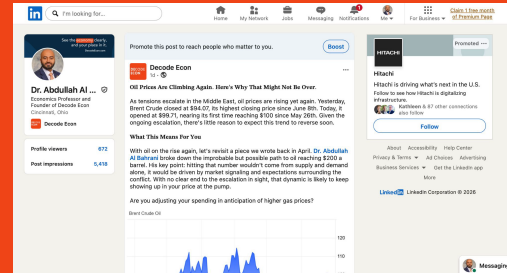
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