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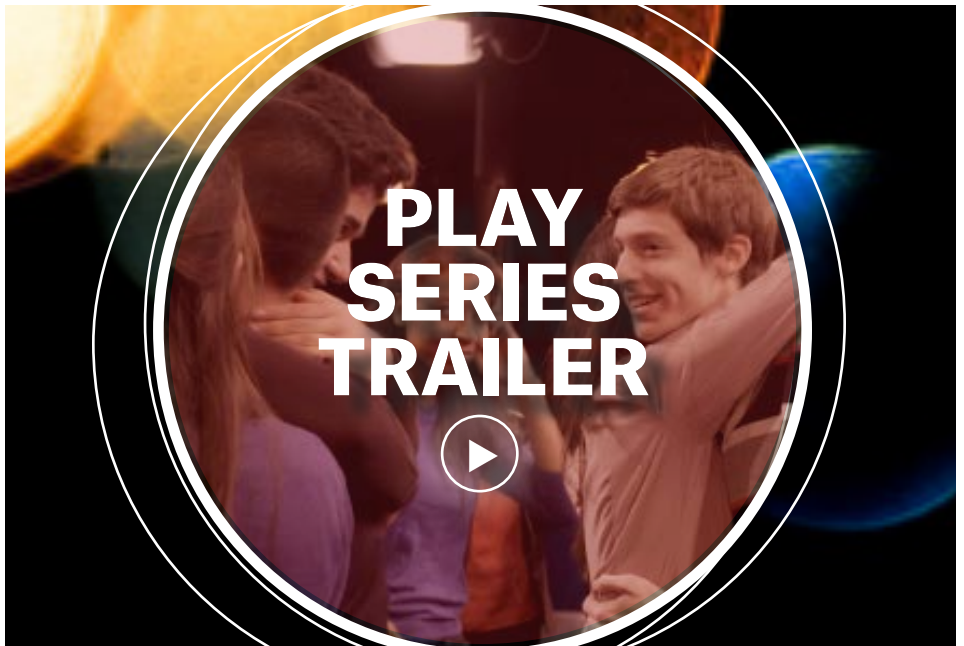
# WHAT MONEY CAN'T BUY

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*Michael Sandel is probably the world's most relevant living philosopher.*

- NEWSWEEK

RUNNING TIME	Six episodes
GENRE	Documentary Series
YEAR	2017
LANGUAGE	English
ORIGIN	United States
FORMAT	1920 x 1080, 23.98 fps, 16 x 9, Sound 5.1
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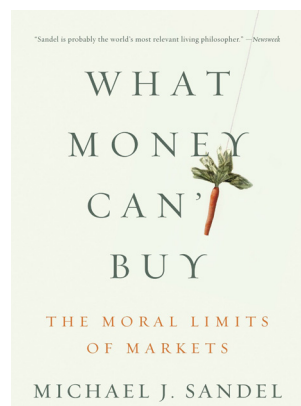


# About the Series

What Money Can't Buy is a six-part documentary series exploring the role of money and morals in today's world. Should you be able to sell your kidney? Should we auction off the right to immigrate? What about paying people to vote? Is there anything wrong with profiting from a stranger's death? What about scalping tickets to a rock concert—or to a doctor's appointment?

Harvard Professor Michael Sandel leads twelve exceptional students from around the world in asking where markets serve the public good, and where they don't belong. What, if anything, is wrong with a world in which everything is for sale? Insights from experts like former Treasury Secretary Larry Summers and Nobel Laureate Joseph Stiglitz pepper the emotional debates, which are alternately heated and humorous.

Join us as we look inside ourselves to see what kind of society we truly are, and begin to define what kind of society we hope to be.



*What Money Can't Buy*  
Farrar, Straus and Giroux (2012)



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## Episode 1

### Sex Sells, But Should It?

Are there legitimate grounds for discrimination in the business world? This episode explores the hiring practices of Abercrombie & Fitch, Hooters, and even OBGYNs. Is it okay to hire attractive sales clerks and flight attendants, or is “lookism” comparable to racism and sexism. Larry Summers thinks our workplace must reflect society's commitment to civil rights, but has no problem with “the Boston Celtics hiring tall people.” Robert Barro goes further, suggesting that physical attractiveness, like intelligence, is a legitimate basis for discrimination.

### Episode List

1. Sex Sells, But Should It?
2. The Body Market
3. The Walrus Quota
4. Supply Shock
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# Michael J. Sandel

Michael Sandel teaches political philosophy at Harvard University. He has been described as “the most relevant living philosopher,” a “rock-star moralist,” (*Newsweek*) and “currently the most popular professor in the world.” (*Die Zeit*)

His writings—on justice, ethics, democracy, and markets—have been translated into 27 languages. His legendary course “Justice” is the first Harvard course to be made freely available online and on television. It has been viewed by tens of millions of people, including in China, where Sandel was named the “most influential foreign figure of the year.” (*China Newsweek*)

Sandel’s recent books, *What Money Can’t Buy: The Moral Limits of Markets* and *Justice: What’s the Right Thing to Do?*, have sold millions of copies around the world and inspired public debate about the big moral and civic questions of our time.

Sandel’s lectures have been the subject of television series on PBS, the BBC, NHK (Japan), and NDTV (India). He has appeared on *The Colbert Report*, the *Today Show*, *Morning Joe*, and *Charlie Rose*, and currently hosts “The Public Philosopher,” a popular BBC series that explores the philosophical questions lying behind the headlines.

Described by the *Guardian* as “the man who is currently the most effective communicator of ideas in English,” Sandel’s lively, down-to-earth way of engaging audiences has brought him “the kind of popularity usually reserved for Hollywood movie stars and NBA players.” (*China Daily*)

Sandel’s lecture tours have taken him across five continents and packed venues such as St. Paul’s Cathedral (London), the Sydney Opera House (Australia), and an outdoor stadium in Seoul (S. Korea), where 14,000 people came to hear him speak.

► **Watch: Michael Sandel Global Tour**

## Reviews and Success

### PRAISE FOR *WHAT MONEY CAN’T BUY*

*What Money Can’t Buy* is a *New York Times* bestseller, having received acclaim from hundreds of media outlets:

- **Read: *Newsweek***
- **Read: *The Atlantic***
- **Read: *The New York Times***
- **Read: *The Financial Times***
- **Watch: *The Colbert Report***
- **Watch: TED Talks**

### JUSTICE

Professor Sandel’s last video series, *Justice*, is one of the most widely viewed educational video series in history.

► **Watch: *Justice***

*Justice* was televised on PBS, the BBC, NHK (Japan), NDTV (India), and other networks worldwide. It also appeared as an in-flight video program on major airlines.

*Justice* has been seen by over 30 million people worldwide.

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*Sandel is a philosopher with the global profile of a rock star. He’s a Harvard professor who doesn’t just lecture in halls, but in stadiums*

- TIM FRANKS  
BBC NEWS HARDTALK