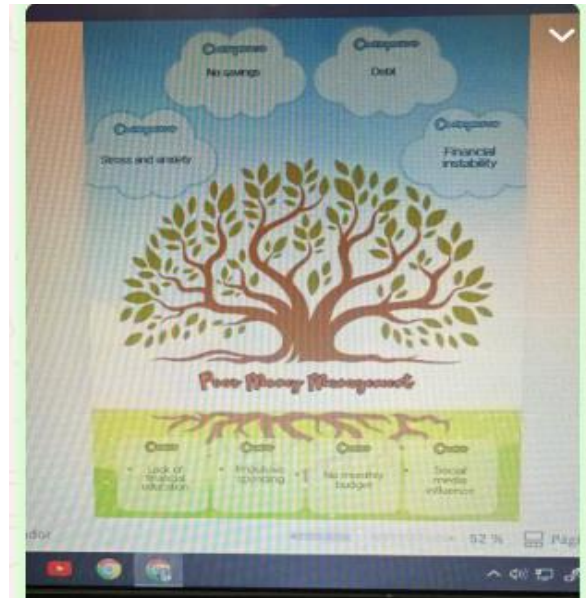
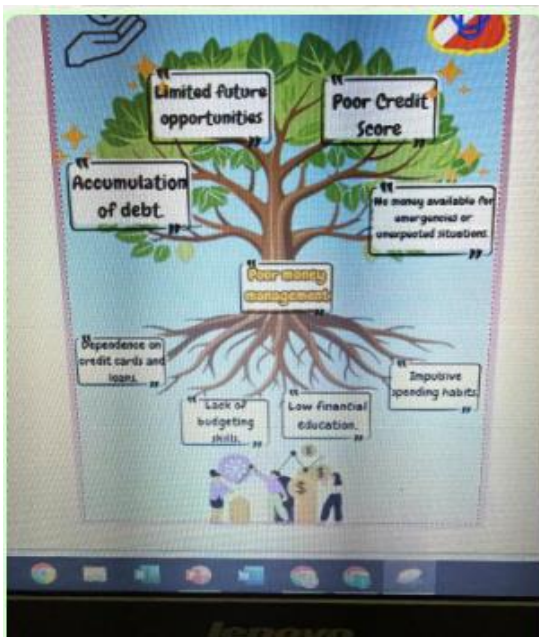






CONSEQUENCE 2

The debt cycle (The "Snowball Effect")

- Explanation: Falling into a vicious cycle where a person takes out a new loan just to pay off an old one, causing the financial problem to grow larger and harder to escape.

CONSEQUENCE 1

Stress, anxiety, and mental health issues

- Explanation: Constant worry about a lack of money or accumulating debt directly impacts school performance, sleep quality, and emotional well-being.

PROBLEM TREE

CAUSE 1

Lack of basic financial education

- Explanation: We aren't always taught how to create a budget, save consistently, or tell the difference between a need (essential for living) and a want (a temporary craving) at school or home.

CAUSE 2

Impulse buying and peer pressure

- Explanation: The urge to "fit in" with friends, follow social media trends (TikTok, Instagram), or buy things just for status leads to spending money that isn't actually available.

CAUSE 3

Lack of goals and planning

- Explanation: Living a "you only live once" (YOLO) mindset, spending all money without about medium-term plans (like a trip, or an emergency fund).

