

Kid Scoop

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MONEY

IT'S A TRADE OFF!

Before money was invented, people traded with each other for goods and services. But trading wasn't always easy.

Imagine if what you had to trade was **milk**. On a hot day your milk could spoil and you would be out of luck.

If you were a doctor and all your patients wanted to pay you in **eggs**, you could end up with more eggs than you could ever use.

Or, what if you had **rocks** to trade? They could be very heavy to carry around the market.

Over the years, people tried using different kinds of things as money such as shells, feathers and beads. Small lumps of metal such as gold and silver became popular because they were easy to carry. But they had to be weighed every time they were used.

Coin Toss

Throughout history, coins have come in many different shapes and sizes.

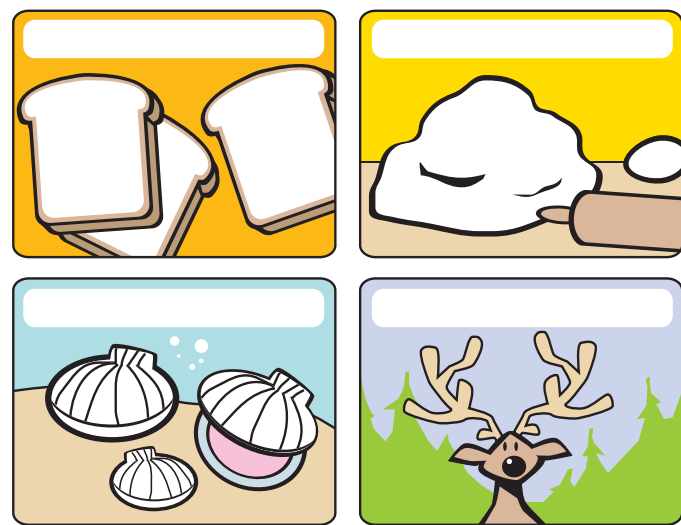
Only two of these coins match. Can you find them?

Standards Link: Economics: Students know that different countries use different currencies to exchange goods and services.



To Coin a Word

Each picture below represents a slang word for money. Can you guess what each one is?



ANSWERS: Bread, dough, clams and bucks

Dexter traded his yo-yo for Natasha's comic books.

Amy tried to trade her cookie for Andy's apple.

Your cookie is **smushed!** I'll keep my crisp apple!

Lulu traded her kite for Lexie's crayons.

If you want something in my bakery, you can't trade things for a cookie. You need **money!**

Bakery Bucks

You have \$1.50 to spend. You need to save 50¢ to buy the newspaper on the way home. Circle all the treats you could buy at the bakery. (There's more than one way to do this.)

35¢ each	12¢ each	21¢ each

Did you know?

Ever hear "A penny saved is a penny earned"? Well, to become a millionaire, you'd have to save lots of pennies! In fact, a stack of pennies equaling a million dollars would rise 95 miles high!

If you stacked all of the pennies made in the U.S. in one year, you would get a stack more than 6,000 miles high!



Exchange Change

Look for the price of the newspaper on the front page. Draw the coins you need to pay for the newspaper. How many different combinations of coins could you exchange to pay for the paper?

Standards Link: Measurement: Solve real world problems involving computation with cents.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Can you divide this grid into four parts in which each part has the same amount of money?

20	10	5	1
5	5	5	10
10	5	5	20
10	1	5	1
1	1	1	1
10	10	20	1
10	1	5	5
10	1	5	20

Standards Link: Mathematical Reasoning: Solve problems using logic.

Kid Scoop Word Search

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

E	P	E	N	S	D	A	E	B	J
O	A	S	Y	R	I	T	S	H	E
Y	T	S	E	D	E	G	S	C	E
E	I	R	Y	I	G	W	R	M	S
K	E	L	A	E	N	O	O	M	L
R	N	O	N	D	E	N	L	T	L
U	T	E	R	S	E	Y	E	D	E
T	S	O	U	Y	G	A	M	P	H
E	W	S	I	L	V	E	R	S	S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Rounding Off

Find items for sale in the newspaper that are advertised for more than \$100 but less than \$1,000. Paste them on a paper. Round the figures to the nearest \$100 and write each new number by the pasted figure.

Standards Link: Number Sense: Use specific strategies (e.g., rounding) to estimate computations.

What tools do you need in math class?

ANSWER: Multi-pliers!

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