

## Money, Money, Everywhere!

Cross-Curricular Focus: Mathematics



**Money** helps us buy the things that we need and want. People earn money by working at all different kinds of jobs. Even children can earn money from their parents sometimes by doing extra chores around the house. If you have money, you can use it to pay bills or buy things from stores. Before people had money to use, they traded things with each other. Some people used things like beads or shells as money.

Paper money is also called **dollars**. Different numbers on the paper money say how many dollars it is worth. If it has a one on it, it is a one dollar **bill**. If it has a five on it, it is a five dollar bill.

**Coins** are made out of different kinds of metal. They are all worth only part of a dollar, except for dollar coins or rare, collectors' coins. Money amounts that are less than a whole dollar are counted in **cents**. Each coin is worth a different number of cents. A penny is worth only one cent. A nickel is worth five cents. A dime is worth 10 cents. A quarter is worth 25 cents. People do not use coins as much as they used to, partly because things cost more than they used to.

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Answer the following questions based on the reading passage. Don't forget to go back to the passage whenever necessary to find or confirm your answers.

1) How do people earn money? \_\_\_\_\_

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2) What can we do with money? \_\_\_\_\_

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3) What did people use before there was money? \_\_\_\_\_

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4) How can you tell how much paper money is worth? \_\_\_\_\_

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5) How do we count money that is less than a whole dollar? \_\_\_\_\_

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