

MONEY MASTERMINDS

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KIDS' DAY OUT
SINGLE DAY LESSON PLAN FOR GRADES K-5

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Get ready to explore currency! Money Masterminds is an interactive school-age lesson plan that encourages children to construct knowledge through thoughtfully planned activities and active exploration of their environment. Children will learn about the different types of currency around the world and will strengthen their math skills. While the lesson plan incorporates many different Pennsylvania Learning Standards, it focuses on the key learning area of “Language and Literacy Development”. Specifically, children will engage in learning activities that meet the PA Standard Areas: Writing, Vocabulary Acquisition and Use, Measurement, Data, and Probability, and Biological Sciences-Chemistry.

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SINGLE DAY SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY/CONCENTRATION	DURATION/SCHEDULE
Arrival Activity (Early drop off): Puzzles/Games	As Needed
Ready Set Learn: Currency	45 Minutes
Hands-On Activity: Bright Shiny Pennies	30 Minutes
Snack	15 Minutes
Themed Activity: Writing a Check	45 Minutes
Hands-On Activity: Currency Word Search	45 Minutes
Lunch	45 Minutes
Hands-On Activity: If I Was on a Dollar Bill	30 Minutes
Social-Emotional Learning: How to Be a Good Citizen	45 Minutes
Hands-On Activity: Count to a Dollar	45 Minutes
Wrap Up	15 Minutes
Pick Up Activity (Late Pick Up): Puzzles/Games	As Needed

MATERIALS LIST

- 1/4 cup white vinegar
- Old pennies
- 1 teaspoon table salt (sodium chloride)
- Non-metal bowl
- Paper towels
- Pencils
- Paper
- Coins (Adding to 1.00) real or fake
- Sticky notes

SHOPPING LIST

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EARLY DROP-OFF



ACTIVITY/CONCENTRATION

ARRIVAL ACTIVITY

- Puzzles and games related to currency



DURATION/SCHEDULE

3 hours – 6 to 9 a.m.



MATERIALS

- Variety of games and puzzles



LEARNER MODIFICATIONS



GOALS/OBJECTIVES

- Use play to practice new skills and knowledge
- Cooperate with peers during activities
- Coordinate eye and hand movements



STANDARDS

- AL.1 2.A
- AL.1 2.C
- 10.5 2.B



ACTIVITY/CONCENTRATION

READY SET LEARN: CURRENCY

What is currency? Currency is another term for money. Are you familiar with the term; *Money doesn't grow on trees?* Well, there are several ways to “grow” your money, even at a young age. One way is through a savings account. Most banks still give you money just by letting your money sit in their bank! Other ways include using your money to sell products such as lemonade or handmade crafts. What are other ways to earn more money at your age?

Fun Facts:

- Presently, only the \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, and \$100 bills are printed in U.S. currency, although \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, and \$100,000 were printed up until 1945.
- When bills are worn out, they are shredded and recycled into shingles or fireplace logs. Old coins are melted to be made into new coins.
- More money is printed for the game of Monopoly in a year than real money is printed.
- The 1913 Liberty Head nickel is worth around \$3,737,500. The reason why it is worth more than others is because there are only five printed in circulation.
- There are 170 different currencies used around the world.