



Counting Coins

What's In your Piggy Bank?

Beginner: Talk about the value of each coin and say their name.

[Tip]: Look at the size, shape and the picture on each coin.

Intermediate: Draw each coin.

[Tip]: Try tracing, copying or drawing. Next to each coin, write its name and value.

Experienced: Find or draw more than one of each coin, then group coins of the same value together.

[Tip]: Count how many dollars/cents are in each group.

Why is this important? Identifying different coins and their value is an important life skill.

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