

SOCIAL STUDIES · GRADES 3–4

Money Around the World

What different countries use

12 currencies

Currency	Symbol	Country	Fun fact
US Dollar	\$	United States	All US notes are the same green color
Euro	€	21 European countries	Newest of the major currencies (1999)
British Pound	£	United Kingdom	One of the world's oldest currencies (1,200+ years)
Japanese Yen	¥	Japan	No coins worth less than 1 yen
Indian Rupee	₹	India	Symbol designed in 2010
Chinese Yuan	¥	China	Same symbol as yen, but different currency
Australian Dollar	A\$	Australia	Notes are made of plastic — waterproof
Canadian Dollar	C\$	Canada	\$1 coin is called a 'loonie'
Swiss Franc	Fr	Switzerland	Has the same value in 4 different languages
South African Rand	R	South Africa	Named after a mountain ridge in Johannesburg



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Brazilian Real	R\$	Brazil	Started in 1994 to replace an unstable currency
Korean Won	₩	South Korea	Even the smallest note is worth less than \$1

Apply

1. Which currency has the same symbol as another (and which country uses each)?
2. Why might some countries use plastic notes instead of paper?
3. What is the currency of YOUR country? When was it started?
4. If \$1 = ₩83, how many rupees would \$10 be worth?

