

# Using money in English

## Instructions and Tips

This resource will help you to teach your children about British money (pounds and pence) Start by playing 'Matching activity—coins', to get children familiar with the different coins and their names. Then use this role play activity, set in a restaurant, where children can practice ordering and paying for food.

## You will need

- Cut out coin cards from 'Matching activity—coins'
- Printed copies of the menu
- A set of real British coins, or toy coins
- Plates, knives, forks, spoons, cups and other props for the restaurant role play— role playing activities work best when the children have real objects to use. Try to make sure you have plates and other cutlery set out like a restaurant, and if you can, get a cloth or kitchen towel that the person playing the 'waiter' can put over their arm.

## Instructions

### Coins

- Ensure child knows the name of each coin, and how much it is worth.
  - Using the coin cards, play a matching game
  - You could also print out a second set of the coin pictures. Shuffle them all together, and then place them face down and play 'pelmanism' (<https://www.pagat.com/misc/pelmanism.html>)
  - Using coins match sets e.g. 5 x 1p = 5p, 5 x 20p =£1 etc
  - Practice making the values of each coin with a variety of the smaller coins. E.g. How can I make 20p? etc

### Role Play

- Set up the 'restaurant' with the child naming the 'plates', 'knife', 'fork', 'spoon', 'glass' and any other props you are using. Practice the plurals for these words too.
- Give each person a menu. Ensure everyone knows what food is on the menu, and how much it costs.
- Practice vocabulary and phrases around ordering food -
  - WAITER: "Can I take your order?" "that will be [PRICE] please" "Enjoy your meal"
  - CUSTOMER: "I would like a burger and chips please" "Thank you"
- Role play - one takes the role of the waiter, everybody else customers.  
Practice taking orders  
Add up how much the customers owe,  
Count out the correct amount of money to pay.  
Have fun!



# menu



Burger

£2.50



Chips

£1.50



Salad

£1.00



Fish Fingers

£2.50



Chicken Nuggets

£3.50

