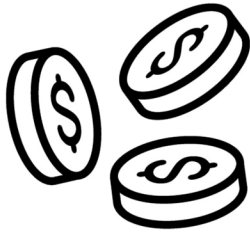


Counting coins



Learning to count change is an important skill that many children find challenging. One way to help is to practice counting to 100 by 1s, 5s, and 10s.

What you'll need

* Pennies, nickels, and dimes



How to do it

- * Practice counting to 100 by 1s, 5s, and 10s. Explain that counting to 100 in these ways is similar to counting money.
- * Start with a small number of coins, such as 12 pennies, 6 nickels, and 3 dimes. Explain that you count the pennies by 1s, the nickels by 5s, and the dimes by 10s.
- * Separate the pennies, nickels, and dimes. Count the coins by 1s, 5s, and 10s. Mastering this skill requires a good bit of time, so don't expect kids to grasp it the first time. This is a good activity to spread over a period of time, doing it for 10 minutes or so in one session.

Questions to answer

How many dimes do you need to equal 20 cents? How many nickels? How many pennies?
