

GRADES K-2 - COIN RECOGNITION

Meet the coins of Canada

Name each coin, read its value, and connect it to CAD. One Canadian dollar equals 100 cents. Cash totals may be rounded to the nearest five cents.

**Nickel****5c**

Beaver design

5 of 100 = 0.05 Canadian dollar

**Dime****10c**

Schooner design

10 of 100 = 0.1 Canadian dollar

**Quarter****25c**

Caribou design

25 of 100 = 0.25 Canadian dollar

**50-cent coin****50c**

Shield design

50 of 100 = 0.5 Canadian dollar

**Loonie****\$1**

Common loon design

100 of 100 = 1 Canadian dollar

**Toonie****\$2**

Two-tone polar bear coin

200 of 100 = 2 Canadian dollar

COIN DETECTIVE MAT

Look, sort, compare, explain

Use real or play coins. This is an open-ended activity: learners explain what they notice instead of taking a paper quiz.

Sort the coins in two different ways

☐ By value: smallest to largest

☐ Coins below one full unit

☐ By colour, shape, size, or design

☐ Coins worth one unit or more

My own sorting rule:

Build \$1.00 in two ways

Combination 1

Combination 2

Explain: How do you know both groups have the same value?

Family or teacher prompt

Ask: Which coin surprised you? What feature helped you identify it? What combination would you build next?