

## ***Coin Information***

### **Penny**

- A U.S. coin worth one cent; can be written 1¢ or \$0.01
- Named after the British penny
- Copper plated; smooth edge
- First penny was printed in 1787; designed by Benjamin Franklin; it had an “Indian Head”
- Lincoln penny first issued in 1909, the 100th anniversary of Lincoln’s birth; this was the first coin to picture a President

#### *Front of Penny*

- Abraham Lincoln—16th President of the United States
- “In God We Trust”; “Liberty”
- Year coin was minted
- Mint mark (D means Denver, S means San Francisco and P means Philadelphia)

#### *Back of Penny*

- Lincoln Memorial, located in Washington D.C.; If you look closely you can see a tiny picture of Lincoln sitting inside the Lincoln Memorial.
- “United States of America”; “One Cent”;
- “E Pluribus Unum”=“Out of many, one”

### **Nickel**

- U.S. coin worth five cents/five pennies; can be written 5¢ or \$0.05
- Made out of a mixture of nickel and copper; smooth edge
- Was an “Indian Head/Buffalo” nickel until 1938 when it became the Jefferson nickel

#### *Front of Nickel*

- Thomas Jefferson—3rd President of the United States and principal author of the Declaration of Independence
- “In God We Trust”; “Liberty”
- Year coin was minted
- Mint mark

#### *Back of Nickel*

- Monticello—Jefferson’s house, which was designed by Jefferson himself
- “E Pluribus Unum”; “Monticello”; “Five Cents”; “United States of America”

## **Dime**

- U.S. coin worth ten cents/ten pennies/two nickels; can be written 10¢ or \$0.10
- Before 1965, was made out of silver; now made out of nickel/copper mixture; 188 ridges around the edge; smallest, thinnest and lightest U.S. coin
- Used to be the “Liberty Head” dime until 1946; now, the Roosevelt dime

### *Front of Dime*

- Franklin Delano Roosevelt—32nd President; the only four-term President of the United States
- “Liberty”; “In God We Trust”
- Year coin was minted
- Mint mark

### *Back of Dime*

- Torch with an olive branch to the left and an oak branch to the right
- Torch signifies liberty
- Oak branch signifies strength and independence
- Olive branch signifies peace
- “United States of America”; “E Pluribus Unum”; “One dime”

## **Quarter**

- U.S. coin worth twenty-five cents/twenty-five pennies/five nickels/two dimes and one nickel; can be written 25¢ or \$0.25
- Made out of copper and nickel; before 1965 it was also made out of silver; edge has 119 ridges
- George Washington quarter replace the Liberty quarter in 1932
- There will be 50 state quarters, honoring each state’s history, traditions and symbols

### *Front of Quarter*

- George Washington—First President of the United States
- “Liberty”; “In God We Trust”;
- Year coin was minted
- Mint mark

### *Back of Quarter*

- Presidential coat of arms (an eagle with outstretched wings)
- “United States of America”; “E Pluribus Unum”; “Quarter Dollar”