



STORIES FROM THE SEA

PIRATES CLASSROOM ACTIVITY 12

PIRATE CURRENCY

Key learning outcomes

Creative thinking

Coins and denominations

Developing vocabulary

Shape and size vocabulary



Activity

Look at the coins from the collection of **Pirate objects** and **Collections online**.

Children can design some coins for pirates to use. On one side should be the head of an infamous pirate, on the tail side can be their favourite pirate object. They can look closely at modern coins to get ideas.

As a class or in groups decide on the denomination of the coins and how many to make of each to fill a wooden treasure chest. Look at our current coinage. How big should the relative denominations of pirate coins be? What shape should they be?

Use gold and silver paper to make the coins and pile them into a treasure chest.

Let children take turns hiding the full treasure chest and either providing

clues, or written directions or an 'x marks the spot' plan for other children to find it.



Resources

Collections online and **Pirate objects**

Gold and silver paper

Selection of coins

A 'treasure chest'



More ideas

Use the coins to role-play treasure islands or pirate ships

Use the coins in the pirate hat shop from Where did you get that hat? or for shopping activities in Nautic Alley



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