

Year 5 Home Learning

Date: Monday 13th July

Financial Literacy

Numeracy and Literacy in one!

UK Bank Notes

- Bank notes change over time, and are produced in series.
- Changing the design helps to stop forgeries (fake copies) being made, and means that new security features can be added.
- As we saw last week, bank notes feature important historical scenes, national symbols, architecture and local landscapes.
- The back of British bank notes each feature a famous person from history and depicts achievements some of their achievements.

These £10 bank notes show some of the famous faces which have featured over the past 40 years. You can also see how the portrait of the Queen has changed.

**V-series
2003-
2016**



**Charles Darwin
Naturalist and
Scientist**

**V-series
2003-
2016**



**Charles Dickens
Author**

**D-series
1975-
1994**



**Florence
Nightingale
Nurse**

£20 bank note over time

**F-series
2007-Feb
2020**



**Adam Smith
Economist and
Philosopher**

**E-series
1999-
2010**



**Edward Elgar
Composer**

**E-series
1993-
2001**



**Michael
Faraday
Scientist**

**D-series
1970-
1993**



**William
Shakespeare
Playwright**

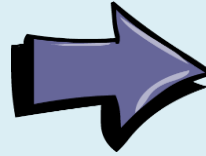
All change, here comes plastic!

- Over the last few years, our bank notes have been changed to become plastic (polymer).
- The first plastic note in the UK was the £5 note and it was released in 2016.
- The first plastic £20 note was released earlier this year.
- The following countries also use polymer-based bank notes: Australia, Brunei, Canada, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Romania, Singapore and Vietnam.
- Polymer notes are a better and more economical way to produce money as they are cheaper to make, last 2.5 times longer than paper money, are waterproof and are nearly indestructible (although people have tried... DO NOT try this at home: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wMwThGTYT2o>).



Elizabeth Fry

2016

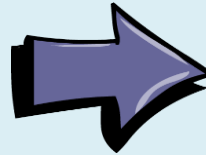


Winston Churchill,
Former Prime
Minister

2017



Charles Darwin

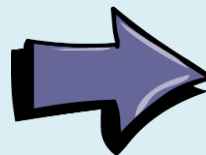


Jane Austen,
Novelist

2020



Adam Smith



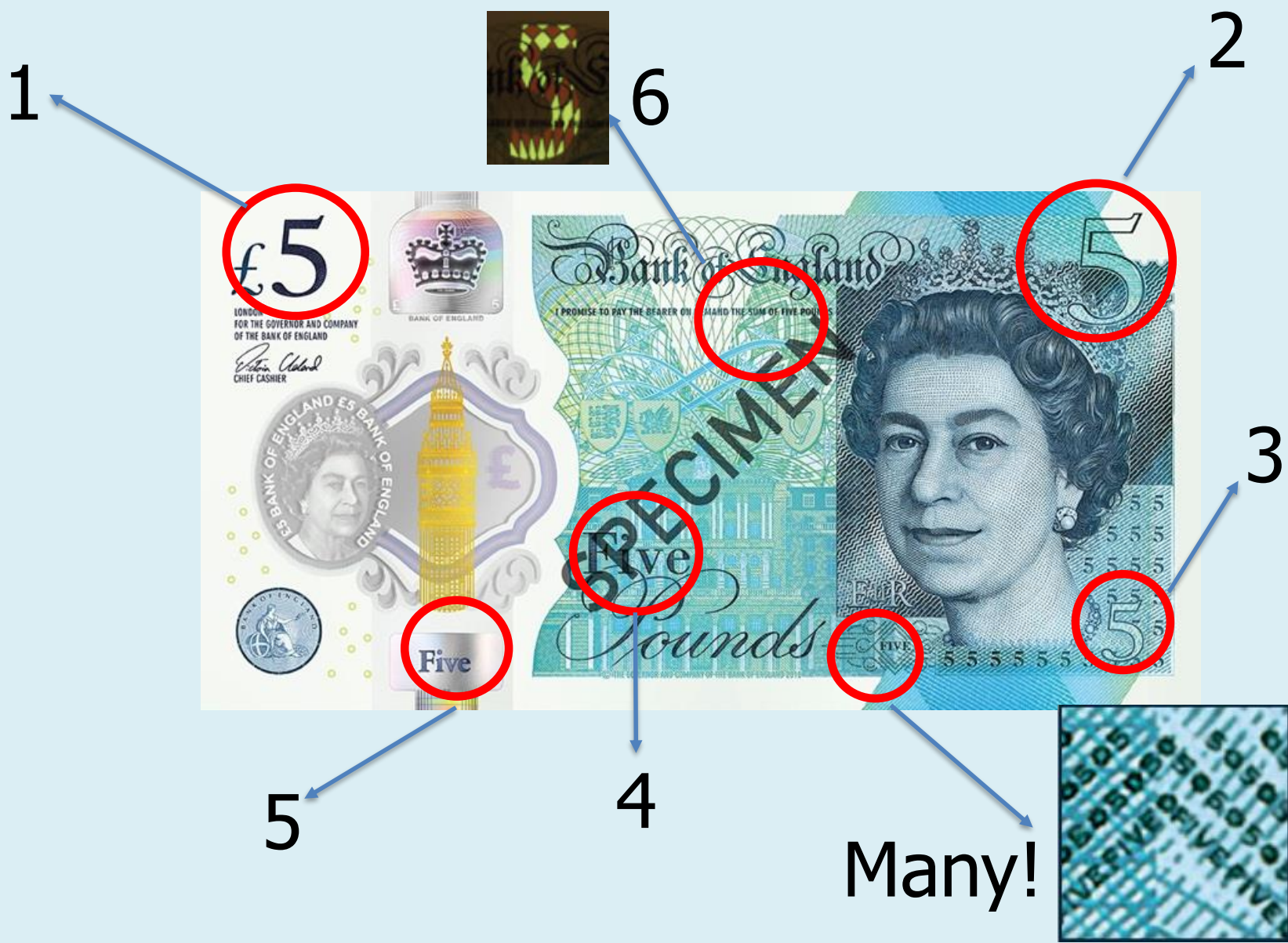
JMW Turner,
Landscape Artist

How well do you know the £5 bank note?



How many number "5"s or the word "five" can you find?

Did you find them all? There are actually over 20!



What else do you notice?



Comment on the colour scheme, the picture of the Queen, the crown she is wearing, the

very ornate font for the “Bank of England”

- Note that the various number fives have different font sizes and the one on the left has a pound symbol in front while the one on the right doesn't

The 5 on this side has a pound symbol in front of it. This is the only one!

"Bank of England" is written in a very ornate script.



Signature of Victoria Cleland, the Chief Cashier of the Bank of England until 2018.

Each note has its own colour scheme, which makes the note easily identifiable, so you don't hand over £20 instead of £5!

What about the back of the note?

A picture of the Nobel Prize in Literature medal which Churchill won in 1953.

Portrait of Winston Churchill.

A watermark of the Queen and Big Ben is visible from both sides of the note.

Big Ben is set to 3pm, the time he made the speech which is quoted on the note.



Quote from Winston Churchill:
"I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat."

Winston Churchill
13 May 1940 (3pm)

A serial number comprised of digits of different colours, sizes of fonts and spacing. This is all done on purpose to make each bank note unique.

Your Task

Generally, the requirement for appearing on a bank note is that someone be deceased. If it was possible to include a living person on a bank note, who would you choose and why? Give as much detail as you can about why you think this person deserves to be on a bank note and represent the country.

Then make a list of important information about that person, such as where they live, major achievements in their life and any quotes you know they've made which you think are inspiring.

*** Extension activity ***

Try drawing the back of your note, including as much information and detail about the person as you can. Think about the details included on the £5 note about Churchill. Also remember to include the key features of a bank note!