

4 – Extension Activity for *Comparing Costs*

Specific Outcome(s)

- Physical Education and Wellness
 - Money is commonly exchanged in the form of
 - currency
 - Currency includes coins and paper money.

At the end of this extension activity, students will be able to identify nickels, dimes, quarters, loonies, and toonies as coins and \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$50.00, and \$100.00 bank notes as bills.

Materials Needed

- Scissors
- Magnets (optional)
- Play money and jars (optional)

Materials Provided

- Coin cards
- Bank note cards
- Category headings

Logistics

- Photocopy and cut the coin cards, the bank note cards, and the category headings.
 - You may complete this activity as a class.
 - If it's available, you may use play money instead of the money cards.
 - If you would like to have each student sort the cards individually or in pairs, print enough copies for each student.

Procedure

- Remind students that our currency is the Canadian dollar, and we use coins and bills for our money in Canada.
 - Money is currency, and it looks different in different places in the world.
 - Coins are made of metal, and they're round.
 - Bills are made of a plastic-like material, and they're rectangular.
- If you are completing this activity as a class
 - Use magnets to post the category headings.
 - Ask students where each money card or play money belongs.
 - Encourage students to explain why nickels, dimes, quarters, loonies, and toonies are coins and why \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$50.00, and \$100.00 bank notes are bills.

- If students are completing this activity independently or in pairs
 - Hand out the category headings and the money cards or play money.
 - Have students put the coins and bills into the correct category.
- Have students return their materials to you and thank them for their hard work.

Ask them the following review questions to solidify their learning:

- "What colours are our coins? What colours are our bills?"
- "What shape are coins? What shape are bills?"
- "Are coins smaller or larger than bills? Are bills smaller or larger than coins?"







Coins

Bills