

# *British Currency*



# British Coins



**1p and 2p (copper)**

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**£1 (gold)**

**£2 (gold and silver)**

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All the coins bear HM The Queen's head on one side.

# British One Penny Coin

## 1p



- A penny  
It pictures  
the portcullis of  
Westminster  
Palace. (опускная решетка в  
крепостных воротах)
- 1 penny is often  
pronounced "one  
pee".

# British Two Pence Coin

## 2p



- A two-pence piece can be referred to as tuppence or a tupenny. It pictures the Prince of Wales feathers.
- 2 pence is often pronounced "two pee"

# British Five Pence Coin

## 5p



- This coin shows the symbol of Scotland, the thistle. On top of the thistle you can see the British crown.
- 5 pence is often pronounced "five pee"

# British Ten Pence Coin

## 10p



- The 10 pence coin shows a lion. For centuries the lion was a proud symbol of Britain's strength. The lion is wearing the crown of the British Monarch.
- 10 pence is often pronounced "ten pee"

# British Twenty Pence Coin

## 20p

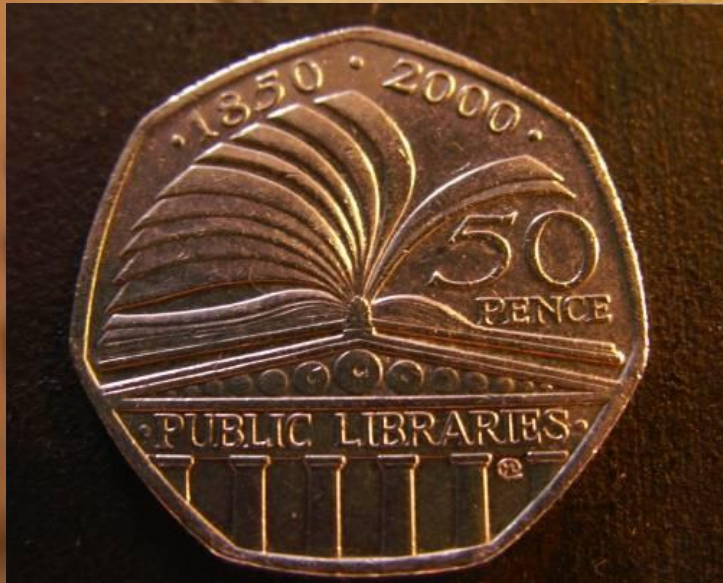


- The 20 pence coin shows the Tudor Rose.  
A rose is the national flower of England.  
On top you can see the British crown.
- 20 pence is often pronounced "twenty pee"



# British Fifty Pence Coin

## 50p



- The 50 pence coin shows the picture of Britannia and a lion. Both are symbols of Britain.

# One pound

# £1



There are many different pictures on the £1 coin to reflect the different countries of Britain: lions for England, a thistle for Scotland and a leek for Wales.

The slang term for pound is quid.

# Notes



**One pound £2**



The design of the 2 pound coin represents technological development. The edge lettering features the quote "Standing on the Shoulders of Giants" by Sir Isaac Newton.



# Banknotes

**£5** (five pounds)

**£10** (ten pounds)

**£20** (twenty pounds)

**£50** (fifty pounds)

Each denomination has its own size and colour



# Banknotes



- All the bank notes bear HM The Queen's head on one side and a famous historical person on the other side.
- Queen Elizabeth II is the first monarch to have her portrait printed on a bank note.

# £5 (5 pounds)

The current £5 note features Elizabeth Fry, who made her name fighting for improved living conditions for women in European jails.



# £10 (10 pounds)

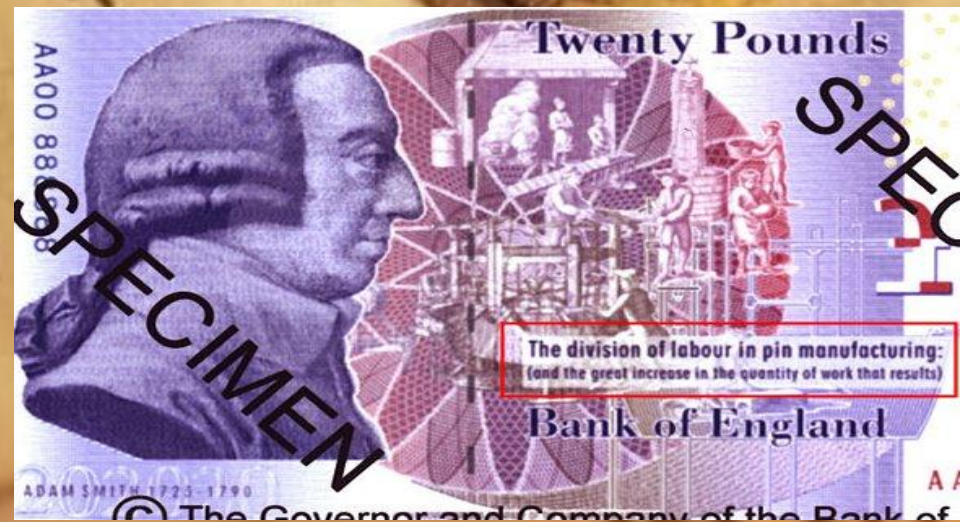
- The current £10 note features Charles Darwin, the Victorian naturalist who developed the theory of evolution. Also pictured is an illustration of Darwin's own magnifying lens and the flora and fauna that he may have come across on his travels.





# £20 (20 pounds)

- The current £20 note features Sir Edward Elgar, a British composer
- The Bank of England issued a new-style £20 in 2007 . The note features Adam Smith, one of the fathers of modern economics, on the back.



# £50 (50 pounds)



The current £50 note features Sir John Houblon, the first Governor of the Bank of England.

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