



Merit Badge Workbook

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2. Explain these collecting terms:

a. Obverse

b. Reverse

c. Reeding

d. Clad

e. Type set

f. Date set

3. Describe three different ways to store a collection, and the benefits, drawbacks, and cost of each method.

Method 1

Benefits

Drawbacks

Cost

Method 2

Benefits

Drawbacks

Cost

Method 3

Benefits

Drawbacks

Cost

4. Do each of the following and explain to your counselor the design features, designer name, designer initials, and where to find them for each item:

- ☐ a. Collect a one-cent coin from the year group: 1959-2008 (that is. dated between 1959 and 2008) and a one-cent coin from the year group 2010-present.

Explain how and why the one-cent coins issued in 2009 were different from either of the other two year groups.

- ☐ b. Collect two five-cent coins, one from each of these year groups: 1959- 2003 and 2006-present.

Explain how and why the five-cent coins issued in 2004-2005 were different from either of the other two year groups.

- ☐ c. Collect a ten-cent coin from 1965-present.

- ☐ d. Collect a twenty-five-cent coin from 1965-1998. two examples from the 50-State Quarter—/territories Program 1999-2009. two designs from the America the Beautiful program 2012-2021 and two designs from the American Woman Quarter program (2022-2024).

Explain the purpose of each of those programs

- ☐ e. Collect a half dollar coin from 1965-present.
- ☐ f. Collect a dollar coin from each of these design groups: Susan B. Anthony 1979-81. Sacagawea 1990-2005. U.S. Presidents 2000-2014.

Value	Issued	DesignFeatures	Designer	Initials	Where to find
1¢	1959-2008				
	2009				
	2010-present				
5¢	1959-2003				
	2004-2005				
	2006-present				
10¢	1965-present				
25¢	1965-1998				
	1999+2009 (State/Terr.)				
	2012-2021 (Beautiful)				
	2022-2024 (Woman)				
50¢	1965-present				
\$1.00	1979-1991 (Anthony)				
	1990-2005 (Sacagawea)				
	2000-2014 (Presidents)				

5. Describe and discuss with your counselor the special reverse designs of the quarters, half dollar and dollar coin struck in 1975-1976 to honor the U.S. Bicentennial.

6. Identify for your counselor the people depicted on current currency: \$1. \$2. \$5. \$10. \$20. \$50. and \$100 notes. Explain where United States currency is printed.

7. Do ONE of the following:

- ☐ a. Collect and identify for your counselor 20 different world coins from at least 7 different countries. Identify the country, major design elements, and denomination of each.
- ☐ b. Collect and identify for your counselor 20 different world paper money from at least 7 different countries. Identify the country, major design elements, and denomination of each.
- ☐ c. Collect and identify for your counselor 20 different tokens and/or medals. Identify the issuer and use of each.
- ☐ d. Complete one of the following and report to your counselor what you experienced:
- ☐ 1. tend a coin show.
 - ☐ 2. Attend a coin club meeting.
 - ☐ 3. Tour a U.S. Mint facility or museum
 - ☐ 4. Tour a virtual exhibit (with your parent or guardian's permission) approved by your counselor.

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