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Exploring banknotes further

Take a closer look at Scottish notes

Have a good look at our banknotes – they are covered in pictures that let us know they're Scottish. Keep an eye out for famous landmarks, bank logos and symbols of Scotland!

Check out the Committee of Scottish Bankers website for fascinating information on all of our current banknotes: https://www.scotbanks.org.uk/banknotes.html
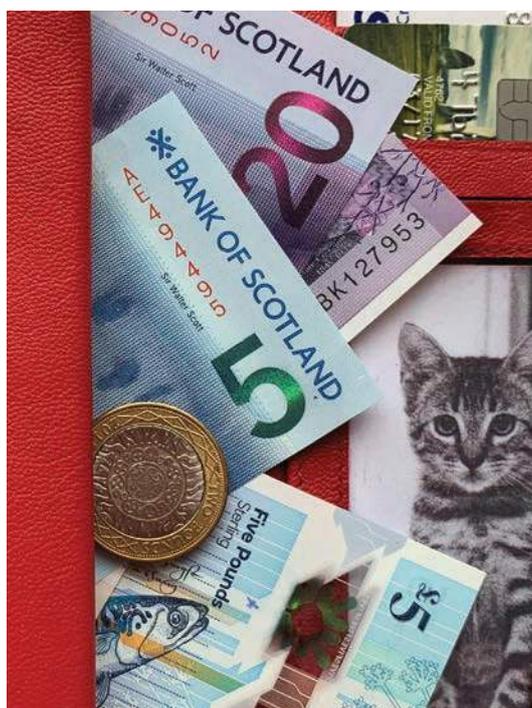
Notes from around the World

Look at banknotes from other countries. What security features can you find? Try and spot holograms, UV features, windows or micro-lettering. What pictures have they chosen to represent their country?

Research a country and choose a famous person and building or landmark to represent it. Make sure your banknote has the right currency. Add as many symbols of the country as you can.

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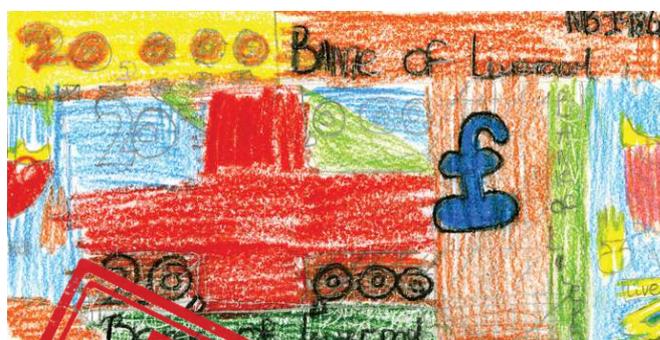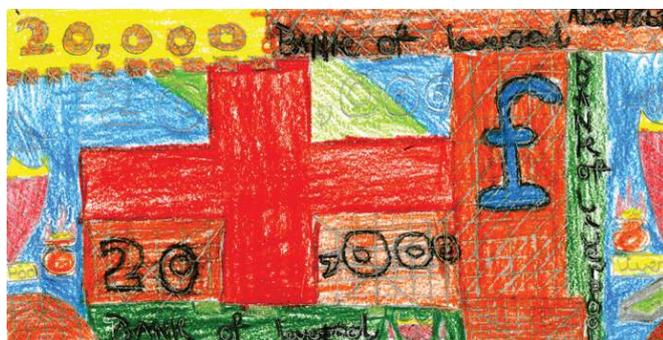## Exploring banknotes further

Life of a banknote

Imagine how many different people have spent your banknote before you. What did they spend it on, and where? Where did it go after they spent it? Has it been on holiday or to anywhere exciting? Has it ever been lost or blown away? Write your banknote's story.

Try your hand at forgery

Try designing your own note using one of our templates. Make sure to include lots of detail and security features.

Swap your note with a partner and try and copy their note as accurately as possible!

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Real life forgery

This man, John Mitchell, was sent to jail in 1890 for forging Bank of Scotland notes. The crime was detected because the notes were printed on the wrong kind of paper. Also, the serial numbers were all the same!

Research some news stories to find out about recent forgeries. You could do a dramatic re-enactment if you find a particularly exciting story!

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Share your crime-fighting knowledge

Spread the word on how to spot forged banknotes with your family, friends or community.

Make a poster, pamphlet or video on the security features you should look for to see if a note is real.