



Dollars and Pesos

Name:

Did you know that every country has its own money? In the United States, we use dollars and cents for our money system. Mexicans use pesos and centavos.

We use this symbol to mean dollar: \$. The symbol for the peso is the same: \$. If you go shopping in Mexico, don't be confused, though. The prices are always listed in pesos.

Pesos may be coins or paper. On one side, the peso coins have the same symbol as the Mexican flag. It is of an eagle holding a snake. Mexicans also use centavo coins, but not very often. Fifty centavos are worth less than an American nickel. So most prices are in full pesos. The more a peso coin is worth, the larger it is. So a \$1 peso coin is smaller than a \$2 coin.

These are the peso coins:

- 5¢ (5 centavos)
- 10¢ (10 centavos)
- 20¢ (20 centavos)
- 50¢ (50 centavos)
- \$1 (1 peso)
- \$2 (2 pesos)
- \$5 (5 pesos)
- \$10 (10 pesos)
- \$20 (20 pesos)



These are the peso bills. Notice that each one is a different size and a different color. See how the sizes get bigger as the amount gets bigger?

- \$20 (20 pesos)
- \$50 (50 pesos)
- \$100 (100 pesos)
- \$200 (200 pesos)
- \$500 (500 pesos)





Mexican Pesos

Name:

Circle the coins you would use for each situation.

Mr. Bennett buys a stack of fresh tortillas from the tortilleria for \$6.



Patti buys lunch at school. She buys a burrito and some milk. It costs \$8.



Carlos goes to visit his grandmother and rides the bus. It costs \$3 because he is a student.



Izzy buys postcards to send to her friends in Seattle. She spends \$38.





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Circle the bills you would use for each situation.

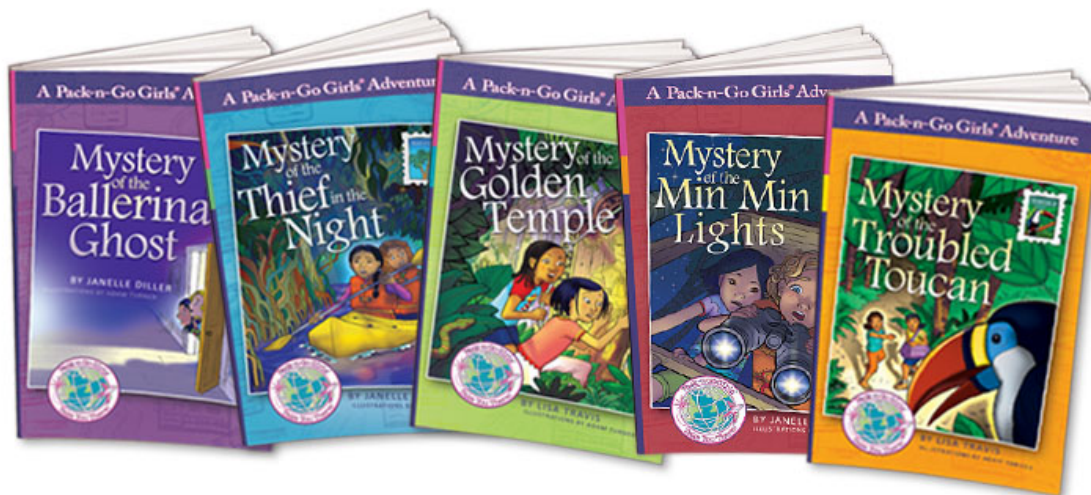
1. The Bennetts take the water taxi from Dream Catcher in the lagoon to shore. The round trip costs the three of them \$70.

2. Mr. Bennett buys gasoline for the dinghy. It costs \$220.

3. The Bennetts eat lunch at the café at the Hotel Siesta. It costs \$270.



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