**Australian money values**

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These are some different ways that you can represent $2. Can you think of some other combinations of coins to make the value equal $2?

$2

[Image description: Image depicts one $2 coin.]

Cent value: 200 cents

$2

[Image description: Image depicts two $1 coins.]

Cent value: 200 cents

$2

[Image description: Image depicts two 50 cent coins and one $1 coin.]

Cent value: 200 cents

$2

[Image description: Image depicts five 20 cent coins and ten 10 cent coins.]

Cent value: 200 cents

$2

[Image description: Image depicts ten 5 cent coins, two 20 cent coins, one 10 cent coin and one $1 coin.]

Cent value: 200 cents

**Australian bank coins**

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5c

[Image description: Image depicts one 5 cent coin.]

Coin: 5c

Cent value: 5 cents

Features: The echidna is an Australian monotreme (egg-laying mammal)

10c

[Image description: Image depicts one 10 cent coin.]

Coin: 10c

Cent value: 10 cents

Features: The lyrebird is a ground-dwelling Australian bird with the amazing ability to mimic sounds from its environment

20c

[Image description: Image depicts one 20 cent coin.]

Coin: 20c

Cent value: 20 cents

Features: The platypus is a semiaquatic monotreme (egg-laying mammal) unique to Australia

50c

[Image description: Image depicts one 50 cent coin.]

Coin: 50c

Cent value: 50 cents

Features: The Commonwealth Coat of Arms features a kangaroo, an emu and a shield showing symbols of the Australian states

$1

[Image description: Image depicts one $1 coin.]

Coin: $1

Cent value: 100 cents

Features: Kangaroos are the world’s largest marsupial

$2

[Image description: Image depicts one $2 coin.]

Coin: $2

Cent value: 200 cents

Features: The image represents an archetype of an Aboriginal tribal elder

**Australian banknotes (poster 1)**

Getting to know our currency

The Reserve Bank of Australia produces the Australian banknotes that we can use in Australia for purchases. The banknotes all include unique features such as holograms and rolling colour effects that you can see when you move and tilt the notes in the light. What other details can you see in the banknotes?

[Image descriptions: The poster depicts images of both sides of the $5, $10, $20, $50 and $100 Australian banknotes. Features on the banknotes include holograms, rolling colour effects, plus illustrations of specific flora, fauna and people and places on each. Each type of banknote is a different bright colour.]

**Australian banknotes (poster 2)**

Getting to know our currency

The Reserve Bank of Australia produces the Australian banknotes that we can use in Australia for purchases. The banknotes all include unique features such as holograms and rolling colour effects that you can see when you move and tilt the notes in the light. The main features of three of these notes are highlighted below. What other details can you see in the banknotes?

$5

[Image description: A first image depicts one side of the $5 note.]

Flora: Prickly Moses wattle

Fauna: Eastern spinebill

Person/Place: New Parliament House and the forecourt mosaic in Canberra

[Image description: A second image depicts the other side of the $5 note.]

Flora: Prickly Moses wattle

Fauna: Eastern spinebill

Person/Place: Queen Elizabeth II

$10

[Image description: A first image depicts one side of the $10 note.]

Flora: Bramble wattle

Fauna: Sulphur-crested cockatoo

Person/Place: Writer and poet Dame Mary Gilmore and a hut that references the Australian bushland from her poetry

[Image description: A second image depicts the other side of the $10 note.]

Flora: Bramble wattle

Fauna: Sulphur-crested cockatoo

Person/Place: Poet AB ‘Banjo’ Paterson and a horseman from the era of Paterson’s writing

$20

[Image description: A first image depicts one side of the $20 note.]

Flora: Box-leaf wattle

Fauna: Laughing kookaburra

Person/Place: Reverend John Flynn, who pioneered the Royal Flying Doctor Service

[Image description: A second image depicts the other side of the $20 note.]

Flora: Box-leaf wattle

Fauna: Laughing kookaburra

Person/Place: Mary Reibey, a convict who became an astute and successful businesswoman

**Australian banknotes (poster 3)**

Getting to know our currency

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$50

[Image description: A first image depicts one side of the $50 note.]

Flora: *Acacia humifusa* wattle

Fauna: Black swan

Person/Place: Edith Cowan, the first female member of an Australian parliament

[Image description: A second image depicts the other side of the $50 note.]

Flora: *Acacia humifusa* wattle

Fauna: Black swan

Person/Place: David Unaipon, an inventor and Australia’s first published Aboriginal author

$100

[Image description: A first image depicts one side of the $100 note.]

Flora: *Acacia pycnantha* wattle

Fauna: Australian masked owl

Person/Place: Sir John Monash, an engineer, soldier and civic leader

[Image description: A second image depicts the other side of the $100 note.]

Flora: *Acacia pycnantha* wattle

Fauna: Australian masked owl

Person/Place: Dame Nellie Melba, an internationally renowned opera soprano who made important contributions to the arts