



Dear Parents,

Over the next several weeks, we will be learning about **money** in math! The information below will help you to support your child as they learn these exciting, yet important third grade math skills.

**The GOAL:**

By the end of the unit, your child should be able to **compare amounts of money up to \$5.00 and make change**. They should also be able to **round amounts of money to the nearest dollar**.

Help your child learn about money

Compare total value of a set of coins.

SET A

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10¢ + 25¢ + 1¢ + 1¢ + 5¢ + 25¢  
 Total Value = 67¢

SET B

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5¢ + 5¢ + 25¢ + 25¢ + 10¢ + 1¢  
 Total Value = 71¢

$67¢ < 71¢$

Set A is less than Set B

Round amounts to the nearest dollar.

- 51¢ rounds up to \$1.00
- 49¢ rounds down to \$0.00
- \$1.36 rounds down to \$1.00
- \$2.68 rounds up to \$3.00

Add and Subtract money:

\$2.05	\$4.28
+ \$1.34	- \$3.13
\$3.39	\$1.15
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Make change up to \$5.00:

You buy a pack of candy bars for \$3.18 (including tax) and you paid with a \$5.00 bill. How much change do you get back?

\$5.00	\$3.18
- \$3.18	+ \$1.82
\$1.82	\$5.00
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Use a table to find all possible combinations:

Ways to Make 25¢ with a MAX. of 1 Q, 2 D, 2 N, 10 P

Quarters	Dimes	Nickels	Pennies
1	0	0	0
0	2	1	0
0	2	0	5
0	1	2	5
0	1	1	10

**HELPFUL TIP:** Start with using as many of the highest value coin you can, then move onto the next, and so on.

**NOTE:** Some combinations are not shown (i.e. 5 nickels) because of the number of coins available.

Grade 3 Math: PA Core Math Standards in Unit 5

CC.2.4.3.A.3: Solve problems and make change involving money using a combination of coins and bills.

-- HOW TO HELP AT HOME --

- Have children round price tags at a store to the nearest dollar.
- Use real or play money to practice making change.
- Find different combinations to make the same amount of money.
- Have children compare amounts of money to see which is less or greater.

-- KEY MATH VOCABULARY --



quarter



dime



nickel



penny

\$3.47



dollar sign

29¢



cent sign

\$1.53



decimal point



one dollar bill