

The United States dollar is a world-famous currency. Here are some cool facts about the dollar. Which ones do you think are interesting or surprising?



## The United States dollar



The United States dollar is the official currency of the USA. The sign for the US dollar is \$ and the short form is USD. There are one hundred cents to one dollar. There are coins for cents, and banknotes, or bills, for dollars.



Each dollar banknote has got the portrait of a famous US president or politician on it. For example, George Washington is on the one-dollar banknote. He was the first president of the USA.

US dollar banknotes are made of cotton, not paper. They are all the same size. In the past, they were all green. Today you can see different colours on dollar banknotes, such as light purple and yellow. If you look carefully, you can also see a watermark, and tiny red, blue and silver threads. This is to stop people making copies of banknotes.

What do you know about the money in your country?



1 What do the letters USD stand for?

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**2** Whose picture is on the one-dollar note?

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**3** What are dollar banknotes made from?

US dollar banknotes are made of .

**4** Are American banknotes different sizes?

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1 What's the capital of the USA?

New York

Washington D.C.

Los Angeles

2 What's the population of the USA?

more than 100 million

more than 200 million

more than 300 million

3 How many states are there in the USA?

48

50

52

4 What's the popular name for the US flag?

stars and stripes

lines and stars

lines and stripes

5 When was the Declaration of Independence?

1721

1754

1776

6 What was George Washington's favourite food?

cake

ice cream

biscuits