

# English Through Reading and Speaking 2

Day No. 3

**THE DOLLAR**

**Before Reading**

- What currency does your country use?
- What is the most popular currency in the world?

The **dollar sign** looks like this \$.

It is the **official currency** in some countries, such as the United States, Canada, **Singapore**, **Australia**, New Zealand, **Taiwan**, and so on.

If you say "dollar," most of the time you mean the United States dollar.

It is the most popular in the world.

The United States **chose** the dollar as its currency in 1792.



**Select True or False**

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- 1 The dollar is a nation.
- 2 The dollar is an official building.
- 3 The dollar is a currency.

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★ **Reading Comprehension**

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Circle the best answer.

- 1 If people say "dollar," most of the time they mean ..... dollar.  
a the United States    b New Zealand    c Taiwan
- 2 The dollar sign looks like this .....  
a ¥    b /    c \$
- 3 Which country does NOT use the dollar as its official currency?  
a Taiwan    b Japan    c Canada
- 4 When did the United States choose the dollar as its currency?  
a in 1592    b in 1692    c in 1792

Describe the picture

Circle the correct sentence.



- 1 There are many people in the bank.  
2 There are many people in the school.  
3 There are many people in the police station.

**Think**

There are certain names for coins of the United States dollar. Match each coin to its name.



**1** 1 cent •

• **a** quarter



**2** 5 cents •

• **b** penny



**3** 25 cents •

• **c** nickel

**Word**

Match the meaning of the words.

**1** dollar

**2** sign

**3** Singapore

**4** Canada

**5** united

**6** popular



**Summary**

Summarize the passage with the words. Change the word form if necessary.

currency

official

chose

sign

mean

The dollar \_\_\_\_\_ is \$. The U.S., Canada, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, and Taiwan use the dollar as their \_\_\_\_\_ currency. Most of the time, the dollar \_\_\_\_\_ the U.S. dollar. The U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ the dollar as its \_\_\_\_\_ in 1792.

**Grammar**

Write the superlative form of each word.

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popular → the most popular

famous → the most famous

- 1 beautiful → .....
- 2 interesting → .....
- 3 powerful → .....
- 4 important → .....
- 5 dangerous → .....
- 6 exciting → .....



## Writing & Speaking

Answer the questions about the dollar.

1 What countries use the dollar as their official currencies?

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2 What is the most popular dollar in the world?

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3 When did the U.S. choose the dollar as its currency?

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## Listening

Listen to the passage and fill in the blanks.

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***Thank you for  
today!***

***We're looking forward to  
seeing you again!***