



The United States Mint H.I.P. Pocket Change™ Web site has added several new features just in time for the beginning of the new school year! To help you learn about “What’s New For You,” explore some of the links that have been listed below.



[Back to School!](#) – September is upon us and that means back to school for students and teachers. Check out this list of H.I.P. Pocket Change resources and start the year off right!



[September’s Coin of the Month](#) – This month, join Flip the Mint Seal as he digs up the story of Thomas Jefferson and the nickel. We’ve all seen Thomas Jefferson on the nickels in our pockets (he’s been on the nickel since 1938!) but this month, we take a closer look at the contribution he has made to America.

[Fun Facts](#) –A new Fun Fact is available on H.I.P. Pocket Change each month, but you don't have to settle for one fun fact at a time! You can have even more fun and see pictures that go with the facts on the special Fun Facts pages. Just click on a fact at the top of any H.I.P. Pocket Change page and learn some little known stories of the United States Mint and American coinage!



[Coin Course](#) -- Inspector Collector has gotten a face-lift! Well, not really. But a few of his coin course cases sure do look spiffy! Check out [Case 1: Collection Inspection](#) and [Case 4: The Great Quarter Quandary](#). Both are animated, fun, and educational tools that can be easily incorporated into your classroom.



[Lesson Plan Contest](#) – Here’s a reminder that we’re on the look out for more great lessons here at the United States Mint, so contribute your ideas today to the **"Coins In The Classroom" Lesson Plan Contest**. This contest will run until the 15th of October, so remember to enter today!



Teacher Features – While you can always find these great classroom ideas in the Teachers section of H.I.P. Pocket Change, be sure to click on the Teacher Feature icon whenever you spot it on the site to find ideas that relate directly to whatever you’ve just read!

Feature Name	Related Content	Covered Curricular Area
1. <u>Nickel Knowledge</u>	September’s Coin of the Month	Language Arts and Social Studies
2. <u>Money Matters!</u>	Fun with Coins activity “Money Hungry Piggy Bank”	Mathematics and Language Arts

Also:

*Don’t forget to visit Plinky and play her new game, **“When Pigs Fly”**.
Be sure to visit **Japan**, our newest country visited in **Coins of the World!***

All of these resources, and more, are at your fingertips each time you return to **H.I.P. Pocket Change!**

Thanks again for your interest in all United States Mint activities. If you find this information useful, make sure you share it with a friend!