

Do You Know What's New About Your Money?

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Have you heard?

The United States government is issuing currency with new designs and security features beginning with the \$20 note in late 2003. New designs for the \$50 and \$100 notes will follow in 2004 and 2005. The new \$20 design retains three of the most important security features that were first introduced in the 1990s and are easy to check: a **watermark**, **security thread** and **color-shifting ink**.



Agent Banks



Agent Cash

Security Thread

Hold the bill up to the light and look for the security thread that is embedded in the paper and runs vertically up one side of the note. If you look closely, the words "USA TWENTY" are visible along the thread.



Color-Shifting Ink

Tilt the note up and down, and you'll see the number "20" in the lower right corner change color from copper to green. This is the color-shifting ink.

Watermark

Hold the bill up to the light, and look for the watermark or faint image, similar to the large portrait. The watermark can be seen from both sides of the note.

Learn about the new money with Agents Cash and Banks on our CD-ROM or Web site. Activities include:

Money Lab

Visit the Money Lab to learn about the symbols of freedom on the redesigned note. Then, through our online survey, decide what symbol of freedom you think should be featured on the new \$50 and \$100 bills.



History Hall

Explore History Hall to learn more about early U.S. currency designs. Think about what figure from the 20th century would qualify for placement on a bill and design your own note to honor him or her.

Agent Training Center

U.S. Secret Service Agents protect U.S. currency from counterfeiting and other financial crimes. In the Agent Training Center, find out what to do if you suspect counterfeiting. Then, write an action-packed story about how you saved the day by identifying counterfeit currency.



Production Room

Visit the Production Room to see how currency is produced (made). Imagine that it is 10 years from now and you are leading the team that is designing a new \$20 note. What colors and design would you use? What safety features would you include on the bill? Draw a picture of your design and discuss it with your class.

Ask your teacher about The New Color of Money CD-ROM or visit: www.moneyfactory.com/newmoney