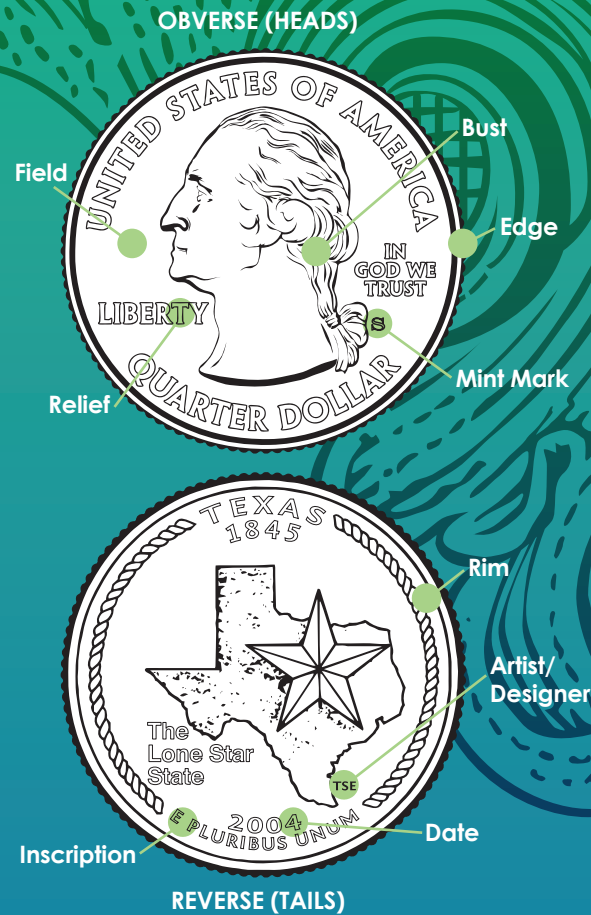


POCKET CHANGE

Did you know that the United States Mint makes up to 28 billion coins in a year? From the headquarters in Washington, DC, the Director of the Mint oversees facilities in Philadelphia, PA; Denver, CO; San Francisco, CA; West Point, NY; and the U.S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox, KY. Here are a few fun facts about our coins:

- Each coin is made of different metals, designs, and sizes, but every coin has two sides: an obverse (heads) and a reverse (tails).
- The outer surface, which can have lettering, reeding, or designs on it, is called the edge. Near the edge is the raised area called the rim.
- Both sides of the coin feature designs and artwork, often including an image of a person from the neck up, known as a bust.
- The blank area of background on a coin is called the field. The term relief refers to the depth of the markings on the coin and how much they are raised above the field.
- Small letters show where the coin was minted, known as the mint mark, and the initials of the sculptor or artist who designed and/or sculpted the coin. Other writing on a coin includes the date and the inscription.

PARTS OF A COIN



For more cool activities, be sure to have an adult follow us on Pinterest at @MyCentric!



Info courtesy of the U.S. Mint, www.usmint.gov.

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SPROUT SUPER SAVER CARD



HAVE YOU GOTTEN YOUR SPROUT SUPER SAVER CARD YET?

For every \$10 you deposit into your Kid Saver account, you'll get your **Sprout Super Saver Card** punched. Once your card is full, drop it off at any Centric location to be entered to win an awesome prize! Each quarter, we'll draw one name to win a prize pack containing things like movie tickets, gift cards, cool Centric gear and so much more... maybe even some cash! Pick up your punch card today at any Centric location to get started.

KIDDING AROUND

UPCOMING EVENTS

Live Better Family Time at Ouachita Public Library

Join Centric and Ouachita Parish Public Libraries for our all new Live Better Family Time! Each month we'll have Sprout Reading Time for the kids, as well as a Live Better Workshop for adults.

February 22nd, 9:30 am | Ouachita Valley Branch
March 28th, 9:30 am | Ouachita Valley Branch



LEMONADE IN WINTER: A BOOK ABOUT TWO KIDS COUNTING MONEY

by Emily Jenkins, Illustrated by G. Brian Karas
Accelerated Reader - BL: 2.5 - AR Pts: 0.5

A lemonade stand in winter? Yes, that's exactly what Pauline and John-John intend to have, selling lemonade and limeade--and also lemon-limeade. With a catchy refrain (Lemon lemon LIME, Lemon LIMEADE! Lemon lemon LIME, Lemon LEMONADE!), plus simple math concepts throughout, this book is sure to be a favorite!



READING LIST

ONE HEN

by Kate Smith Millway

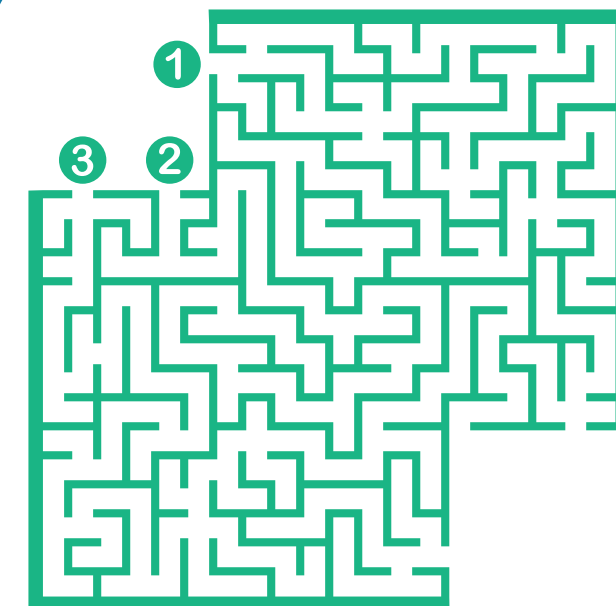
Accelerated Reader - BL: 4.6 - AR Pts: 0.5

Inspired by true events, One Hen tells the story of Kojo, a boy from Ghana who turns a small loan into a thriving farm and a livelihood for many. After his father died, Kojo had to quit school to help his mother collect firewood to sell at the market. When his mother receives a loan from some village families, she gives a little money to her son. With this tiny loan, Kojo buys a hen. A year later, Kojo has built up a flock of 25 hens. With his earnings Kojo is able to return to school. Soon Kojo's farm grows to become the largest in the region.



ACTIVITIES

WHICH WAY GETS YOU THROUGH?



Can YOU solve my Mystery Maze?!



Twin Cities Krewe de Riviere Parade

Our area's newest Mardi Gras krewe will roll this year for the very first time! This all-inclusive, community-based krewe is sure to bring loads of fun for the whole family. Celebrating the Roaring 20's, this is a brand new parade you won't want to miss!

February 8, 5pm | Downtown West Monroe & Monroe

37th Annual Krewe of Janus Mardi Gras Parade

Since 1984, the Krewe of Janus has brought Mardi Gras to the Twin Cities. This year's theme is "The Magic of Fairytales." Join the festivities with a day full of events throughout Monroe and West Monroe.

February 15

Children's Parade - 10 am | Pecanland Mall, Center Court

PAWS Pet Parade - 11 am | Antique Alley

Main Parade - 6 pm | Downtown West Monroe & Monroe

St. Paddy's Bicycle Parade & Festival 2020

Come join the St. Patrick's day fun! There will be free green lemonade, popcorn, bouncers for the kids, live Irish music, bike parade for kids and so much more.

March 14th | Kiroli Park in West Monroe

62nd Annual Barak Shrine Circus

Mark your calendars for "The Circus with a Purpose!" The Barak Shriners are excited to bring their fun-filled circus to Ike Hamilton Expo Center! Don't miss this spectacular show featuring the infamous Shriners clowns, elephants, tigers, trapeze artists and so much more!

March 20-22 | 501 Mane Street, West Monroe

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