



MONEY

Read this text and answer the questions.



The British currency is the **pound** and the **penny** (plural: **pence**). One pound (£1) consists of 100 pence (100p). Like in many other countries, there is a paper money (**banknotes**) and there are **coins**.

You can find banknotes for £100, £50, £20, £10 and £5. The banknote for £1 is only used in Scotland.

The coins are: £1, 50p, 20p, 10p, 5p and 1p.

What do the coins and banknotes look like? There are the coins and banknotes from the Bank of England, which are official – but you can find national versions too – English pound, the Scottish pound, the Welsh pound for example.

On the front of the £5 note there is a portrait of Elisabeth II, on the back, from 2002, there is portrait of Elisabeth Fry, who was an English prison reformer, she wanted to make the treatment of prisoners more humane. This is the lowest denomination in value and the smallest in size, it is also called *fiveer*.

£1 = about 1.55 CHF (Swiss francs)

1. How many banknote values are there in the U.K.?

2. How many coins values are there?

3. Is the official pound a banknote or a coin?
