

**Mathematical challenges
for able pupils**

**Year 3 D Calculating, measuring
and understanding shape**



Rows of coins



1. Take five coins: 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p.
Put them in a row using these clues.

- The total of the first three coins is 27p.
- The total of the last three coins is 31p.
- The last coin is double the value of the first coin.



Learning Objective:

- Solve word problems involving money.
- Explain methods and reasoning.

Rows of coins



2. Take six coins: two 1p, two 2p and two 5p.

Put them in a row using these clues.

Between the two 1p coins there is one coin.

Between the two 2p coins there are two coins.

Between the two 5p coins there are three coins.



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- Solve word problems involving money.
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3. Take eight coins: two 1p, two 2p and two 5p.
Put them in a row using these clues.

Between the two 1p coins there is one coin.

Between the two 2p coins there are two coins.

Between the two 5p coins there are three coins.



Learning Objective:

- Solve word problems involving money.
- Explain methods and reasoning.

Solution to Rows of coins

1. **5p, 2p, 20p, 1p, 10p**

2. **2p, 5p, 1p, 2p, 1p, 5p**, or its reverse

3. When two 10p coins are also used:

2p, 5p, 10p, 2p, 1p, 5p, 1p, 10p, or its reverse



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The end, thank you!



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