

# Bank of England Museum

## Activity Sheet no 2 – Explore the Bank

Age: 6-7 years



Put a tick in the box against each item that you find.

### The Stock Office

Climb aboard the boat to find out about banknotes!

How many different values of banknotes does the Bank of England make?

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Which King and Queen were on the throne when the Bank of England first opened?

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Can you find a golden representation of the goddess Britannia?

How many coins can you see by her side?

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### The Early Years (1694-1800)

The Bank opened in 1694. Draw an object from the large showcase and label your drawing.

Find the oldest piece of furniture in the Bank.  
What is it?  
What do you think would have been stored in it?

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Good handwriting was an important skill for bank clerks in the 1700s.

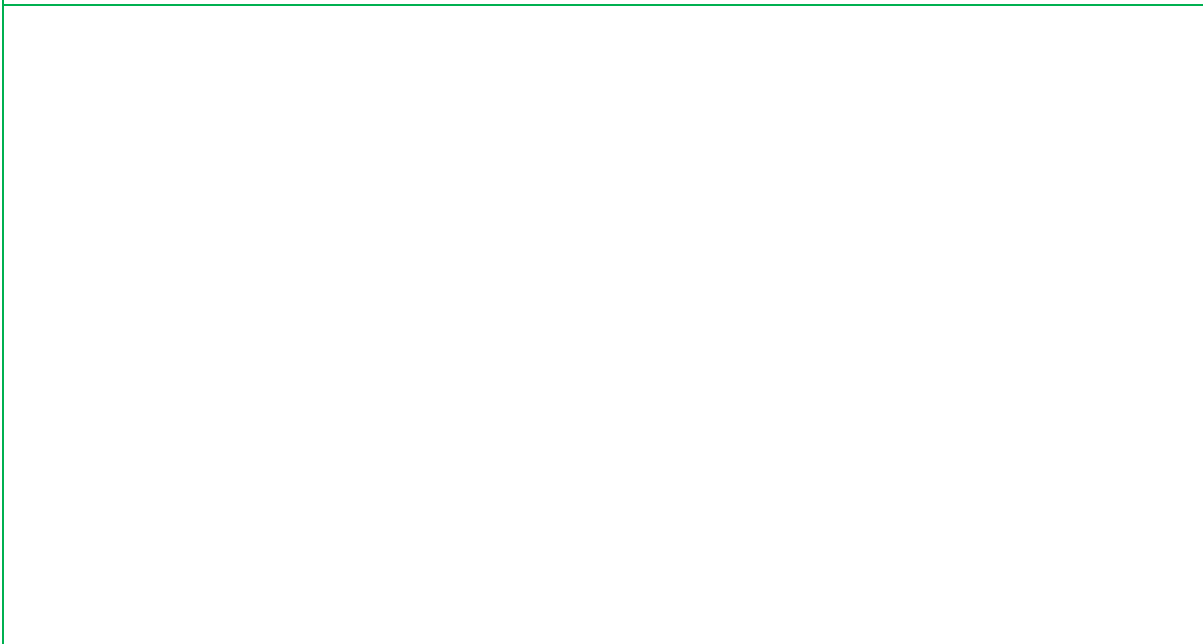
You can see many examples of their work here. Can you write your name, in one of the styles of writing shown in the room?

### The Rotunda (1800-1946)

The author of '*The Wind in the Willows*', Kenneth Grahame, once worked at the Bank.

Can you find two characters from his book?

Draw and/or name them.



Can you find a real gold bar?

How much does it weigh?

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## The Banknote Gallery

Can you find the £5 polymer (plastic) banknote?

Which historical character appears on the back of this note?

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## The Modern Economy (1946-Today)

Give one example of what the Bank of England does for you.

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How many people work at the Bank of England?

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What kind of lamp allows you to see the hidden numbers on banknotes?

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Can you find a football shirt?

What's written on it?

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