# Bank of England Museum

# Activity no 3 – Investigate the Bank

Age: 8-11 years



#### **The Stock Office**

| This first room is called the Bank Stock Office. It is a reconstruction (copy) of a banking hall from 1793. How do you think this room was lit? |  |
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| In which year did the Bank move to Threadneedle Street?   |  |
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| In which year did Herbert Baker start to rebuild the Bank - 1909, 1925 or 1931?   |  |
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| Who, largely, conducted banking business in the 17th Century, before the Bank of England was founded?   |  |

| The Early Years (1694-1800)                                       |  |  |
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| When was the Bank founded?  |  |  |
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| What is the oldest piece of furniture?                            |  |  |
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| How old is it?  |  |  |
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| Can you draw it here?   |  |  |
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| Can you find a million pound note? Write 'one million' in numbers |  |  |

### The Rotunda (1800-1946)

| Can you find a real gold bar? Try to pick it up.   |             |  |
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| How much does it weigh?  |             |  |
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| Take a look at the showcases in this room, and choose your favourite object. Write some information about it and/or draw and label it.   |             |  |
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## The Modern Economy (1946-Today)

| Who can have an account at the Bank of England?                              | 1) |  |
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| Which aim of the Bank helps to keep the cost of your shopping under control? |    |  |
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| Who owns the gold in the Bank of England vaults?                             | 1) |  |