

# Math at Home

Dear Family,

My class is starting Unit 8, **Money and Time**. I will learn how to tell time to the half-hour and how to count coins. You can help me learn these vocabulary words, and we can do the Math Activity together.

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## Vocabulary



**penny** A coin worth 1¢.



**nickel** A coin worth 5¢.



**dime** A coin worth 10¢.



**quarter** A coin worth 25¢.

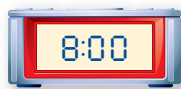
**minute** A short amount of time.

It takes about one **minute** to tie your shoes.

**hour** A way to measure time;  
60 minutes.

**o'clock**

It is 8 **o'clock**.



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## Family Math Activity

Help your child make a bank by covering a plastic container with paper and decorating it with crayons or markers. Make a slit in the lid for inserting the coins.



Give loose change to your child. Have your child name each coin as he or she puts the change into the bank. Use the change later to pay for a treat you can enjoy together.

## Literature

These books link to the math in this unit. Look for them at the library.

- **Deena's Lucky Penny**  
by Barbara Derubertis  
Illustrated by Joan Holub  
and Cynthia Fisher  
(The Kane Press, 1999)
- **Jelly Beans for Sale**  
by Bruce McMillan
- **Game Time!**  
by Stuart J. Murphy  
Illustrated by Cynthia Jabar

