

**BUILDING BLOCKS STUDENT WORKSHEET**

# Spending money in world languages

Knowing some common money-related words and phrases in the language you're studying will make it easier to use money whenever you travel to countries where that language is spoken.

## Instructions

- 1 Write the name of the country your class chose for their imaginary visit.
- 2 Write the words and phrases you were assigned and their translations in the spaces below.
- 3 Research the name of the country's currency and write it in the space provided on the next page.
- 4 Visit a U.S. Treasury Department webpage to answer questions about the currency's exchange rate compared with the U.S. dollar.
- 5 Answer the reflection question.

## Translating words and phrases

1. Which country did you choose to visit?
2. Translate the word that you were assigned.

Word in English	Translation



3. Translate the phrases that you were assigned.

Phrase in English	
Translation	

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Translation	

## Converting money

When you exchange money in a foreign country, you need to know the exchange rate. This rate is a number people use to compare the value of money in different countries. For example, you would use an exchange rate to figure out how many pesos or euros you could get for one U.S. dollar.

1. What currency is used in the country you've chosen to visit? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Visit the U.S. Treasury Department's exchange rate webpage at <https://fiscaldata.treasury.gov/datasets/treasury-reporting-rates-exchange/treasury-reporting-rates-of-exchange> to find the exchange rate between U.S. dollars and the currency of the country you're visiting.  
\$1 = \_\_\_\_\_ in the other country's currency
3. If you were to travel there today and exchange \$100, how much would you receive in local currency? \_\_\_\_\_

## Reflection question

Why do you think it's a good idea to know the words and phrases you translated whenever you travel?