

# MONEY IN THE UNITED STATES

## Part 1

**Bill needs your help. Find the correct change for him and complete the sentences below. Each question has more than one answer. Look at the example.**

1. Bill: Excuse me, do you have change for a dime?

Yes, I do. Here are *five pennies and one nickel*.

Yes, I do. Here are \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I do. Here are \_\_\_\_\_

2. Bill: Excuse me, do you have change for a quarter?

(There are 12 different ways to make change for a quarter. You only need to write three different ways.)

Yes, I do. Here are \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I do. Here are \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I do. Here are \_\_\_\_\_

**Challenge: How many different ways can you make change for a half dollar?**

(There are a few half dollar coins in America; half dollar coins are not commonly used.)

## Part 2

**Which way would you choose to buy these things? Discuss with a partner.**

1. candy:

- a. one piece of candy for a dime
- b. three pieces of candy for a quarter

2. erasers:

- a. two erasers for a quarter
- b. six erasers for a dollar

3. hamburgers:

- a. two hamburgers for five dollars
- b. three hamburgers for ten dollars

4. pencils:

- a. one pencil for a nickel
- b. six pencils for a quarter

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## Answer Key

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1. two nickels; 10 pennies
2. *12 different ways:*
  - 25 pennies
  - 20 pennies and one nickel
  - 15 pennies and two nickels
  - 10 pennies and three nickels
  - five pennies and four nickels
  - five nickels
  - three nickels and one dime
  - two nickels, one dime, and five pennies
  - one nickel and two dimes
  - two dimes and five pennies
  - one dime and 15 pennies
  - one dime, one nickel, and 10 pennies

### Part 2

**The following ways will give the lowest price per item:**

1. b
2. b
3. a
4. b