

Coin Rub

Best for: Early elementary students

Supplies: Heavy duty aluminum foil, cut in small squares or strips
Popsicle sticks (1 per student)
Coins—penny, nickel, dime, quarter, half dollar, dollar

Directions: Provide each student a stick and several pieces of foil. Place foil over a coin and rub with stick. The raised surfaces will appear. You can do both the front and back of each coin. Students can make patterns or single patterns.

Discussion: Talk about the significance of the date, the silhouette, the slogan/words on each coin.

Rubbing the quarters depicting each state makes a good project and discussion of each state's claim to fame.

Alternate: If you want a craft that yields a slightly more permanent product, consider the soft copper found at craft supply stores.

