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Anger in UK over wildlife pictures on banknotes

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

Some people in the UK are angry that pictures on British banknotes will change. Their anger has been caused by the Bank of England replacing famous historical figures with wildlife. The process to make this change was democratic. More than 26,000 people voted after a public discussion. The theme of nature was the most popular choice. This means national heroes like WWII leader Sir Winston Churchill, writer Jane Austen, and artist JMW Turner will be replaced by animals and birds. Sustainability expert Ali Fisher said: "This is a powerful reminder of how deeply people feel connected to and value British wildlife." She added: "It's a beautiful opportunity to put biodiversity in all our hands."

The Bank explained that images of wildlife would make faking banknotes more difficult. It said nature was a great choice when looking at the security of banknotes. Despite this, many leading politicians are very unhappy about removing the historical figures. The head of the Conservative Party said: "Removing Churchill from banknotes is erasing our history. Changing the pictures to put wild animals on them is a silly thing to do. I absolutely do not support it." The Liberal Democrat Party leader said: "I can't think of a worse time to do this with a war waging in Europe." However, Churchill's granddaughter had no problem with an animal replacing her grandfather.

Sources: <https://www.euronews.com/2026/03/11/putting-biodiversity-in-our-hands-british-wildlife-will-soon-be-celebrated-on-banknotes>
<https://uk.finance.yahoo.com/news/trump-official-warns-labour-over-183244760.html>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cy03zy1lr8go>

WARM-UPS

1. BANKNOTES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about banknotes. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

angry / banknotes / bank / democratic / discussion / choice / artist / biodiversity / bird wildlife / nature / politician / historical figure / history / silly things / war / grandfather

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. WILDLIFE: Students A **strongly** believe pictures of wildlife are better to put on banknotes than pictures of national heroes; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. PAYMENTS: What are the pros and cons of these methods of payment? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Pros	Cons
Banknotes		
Coins		
Credit cards		
Crypto		
Smartphone		
Cheques		

5. CASH: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "cash". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. BANKNOTE PICTURES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best pictures to put on banknotes at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- National heroes
- Wild animals
- Flowers
- Literary characters
- Famous buildings
- National food
- Shopping items
- Famous paintings

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-------------------|---|
| 1. caused | a. About a system where people choose their leaders by voting. |
| 2. figures | b. The act of picking one thing from two or more things. |
| 3. process (noun) | c. Someone or something made something else happen. |
| 4. democratic | d. The many different kinds of plants and animals in nature. |
| 5. choice | e. People who are important or well known. |
| 6. sustainability | f. A series of actions or steps to do something. |
| 7. biodiversity | g. The idea of using things in a way that does not harm the future. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-----------------|--|
| 8. faking | h. A fight between countries or large groups using soldiers and weapons. |
| 9. security | i. Pretending something is real when it is not. |
| 10. politicians | j. Safety and protection from danger. |
| 11. erasing | k. Not serious and a little foolish/stupid. |
| 12. silly | l. Removing things from something. |
| 13. absolutely | m. People who work in government and make decisions for a country. |
| 14. war | n. Completely or totally. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The Bank of London is changing the pictures on Scottish banknotes. **T / F**
2. More than 26,000 people voted to choose the new banknote theme. **T / F**
3. Pictures of wildlife will replace figures from politics, literature, and art. **T / F**
4. Very few British people feel connected to nature. **T / F**
5. Pictures of animals and birds make it more difficult to fake banknotes. **T / F**
6. All British politicians think the wildlife pictures are a good idea. **T / F**
7. A politician said changing banknotes at a time of war is a bad idea. **T / F**
8. A grandchild of Winston Churchill has no problem with the new images. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. angry | a. safety |
| 2. replacing | b. specialist |
| 3. theme | c. totally |
| 4. expert | d. substituting |
| 5. opportunity | e. issue |
| 6. faking | f. chance |
| 7. security | g. furious |
| 8. erasing | h. forging |
| 9. absolutely | i. deleting |
| 10. problem | j. subject |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. Some people in | a. figures with wildlife |
| 2. replacing famous historical | b. banknotes more difficult |
| 3. The theme of nature was the most | c. our hands |
| 4. how deeply people feel connected to and | d. Europe |
| 5. put biodiversity in all | e. value British wildlife |
| 6. images of wildlife would make faking | f. thing to do |
| 7. Removing Churchill from banknotes is | g. the UK are angry |
| 8. a silly | h. erasing our history |
| 9. I can't think of a worse time | i. popular choice |
| 10. a war waging in | j. to do this |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

Some people in the UK are (1) _____ that pictures on British banknotes will change. Their anger has been caused by the Bank of England replacing famous historical (2) _____ with wildlife. The process to make this change was (3) _____. More than 26,000 people voted after a public discussion. The theme of (4) _____ was the most popular choice. This means national heroes like WWII (5) _____ Sir Winston Churchill, writer Jane Austen, and artist JMW Turner will be replaced by animals and birds. Sustainability (6) _____ Ali Fisher said: "This is a powerful reminder of how (7) _____ people feel connected to and value British wildlife." She added: "It's a beautiful opportunity to put biodiversity in all our (8) _____."

democratic
deeply
angry
leader
hands
nature
figures
expert

The Bank explained that (9) _____ of wildlife would make faking banknotes more difficult. It said nature was a (10) _____ choice when looking at the (11) _____ of banknotes. Despite this, many leading politicians are very unhappy about removing the historical figures. The (12) _____ of the Conservative Party said: "Removing Churchill from banknotes is (13) _____ our history. Changing the pictures to put wild animals on them is a silly thing to do. I absolutely do not (14) _____ it." The Liberal Democrat Party leader said: "I can't think of a worse time to do this with a (15) _____ waging in Europe." However, Churchill's granddaughter had no (16) _____ with an animal replacing her grandfather.

support
war
great
head
problem
images
erasing
security

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

- 1) Some people in the UK are angry that pictures on British _____
 - a. banknotes will chance
 - b. banknotes will change
 - c. banknotes will changed
 - d. banknote will change
- 2) caused by the Bank of England replacing _____
 - a. famous historically figures
 - b. famous historical figure
 - c. famous historical figures
 - d. famously historical figures
- 3) The process to make this _____
 - a. chance was democratic
 - b. change were democratic
 - c. change was democratically
 - d. change was democratic
- 4) This is a powerful reminder of how _____
 - a. deeply people feel
 - b. deeply people feels
 - c. deeply people feeling
 - d. deeply people feelings
- 5) It's a beautiful opportunity to put biodiversity in _____
 - a. every our hands
 - b. whole our hands
 - c. all our hands
 - d. every our hands
- 6) The Bank explained that images of wildlife would make faking _____
 - a. banknotes more difficultness
 - b. banknotes more difficulties
 - c. banknotes more difficulty
 - d. banknotes more difficult
- 7) It said nature was a great choice when looking at the _____
 - a. security of banknotes
 - b. security off banknotes
 - c. secure of banknotes
 - d. scarcity of banknotes
- 8) Removing Churchill from banknotes is _____
 - a. erasing our historically
 - b. erasing our historical
 - c. erasing our historian
 - d. erasing our history
- 9) I can't think of a worse time to do this with a war _____
 - a. wage in in Europe
 - b. waging on Europe
 - c. waging in European
 - d. waging in Europe
- 10) Churchill's granddaughter had no problem with an animal _____
 - a. replace in her grandfather
 - b. replacing them grandfather
 - c. replacing his grandfather
 - d. replacing her grandfather

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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The Bank explained (7) _____ wildlife would make faking banknotes more difficult. It said nature was a great choice when looking at (8) _____ banknotes. Despite this, many leading politicians are very (9) _____ the historical figures. The head of the Conservative Party said: "Removing Churchill from banknotes is (10) _____. Changing the pictures to put wild animals on them is (11) _____ to do. I absolutely do not support it." The Liberal Democrat Party leader said: "I can't think of a worse time to do this with a war waging in Europe." However, Churchill's granddaughter had (12) _____ an animal replacing her grandfather.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

1. What is replacing the pictures on the banknotes?
2. How many people voted to change the banknotes?
3. Which writer is going to be replaced by an image of wildlife?
4. What might the new banknotes make people value?
5. What did a sustainability expert say people could have in their hands?
6. What do wildlife pictures make it more difficult to do?
7. What did the head of the Conservative Party say is being erased?
8. What did the head of the Conservative Party call the change?
9. Where did the leader of the Liberal Democrat Party say war was waging?
10. Who had no problem with Sir Winston Churchill's image being replaced?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

- 1) What is replacing the pictures on the banknotes?
 - a) the bank of Mum and Dad
 - b) the Bank of England
 - c) the World Bank
 - d) the IMF
- 2) How many people voted to change the banknotes?
 - a) around 26,000
 - b) just fewer than 26,000
 - c) exactly 26,000
 - d) more than 26,000
- 3) Which writer is going to be replaced by an image of wildlife?
 - a) Jane Austen
 - b) J.K. Rowling
 - c) Charles Dickens
 - d) William Shakespeare
- 4) What might the new banknotes make people value?
 - a) British banks
 - b) money
 - c) British wildlife
 - d) themselves
- 5) What did a sustainability expert say people could have in their hands?
 - a) more cash
 - b) biodiversity
 - c) animals
 - d) the whole world
- 6) What do wildlife pictures make it more difficult to do?
 - a) save money
 - b) spend money
 - c) fake banknotes
 - d) lose banknotes
- 7) What did the head of the Conservative Party say is being erased?
 - a) savings
 - b) cash
 - c) pencils
 - d) history
- 8) What did the head of the Conservative Party call the change?
 - a) silly
 - b) clever
 - c) annoying
 - d) bad
- 9) Where did the leader of the Liberal Democrat Party say war was waging?
 - a) Europe
 - b) the USA
 - c) Iran
 - d) online
- 10) Who had no problem with Sir Winston Churchill's image being replaced?
 - a) the UK's leader
 - b) his granddaughter
 - c) the leader of the Conservative Party
 - d) the leader of the Liberal Democrat Party

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – National Heroes

You think pictures of national heroes are the best things to put on banknotes. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their pictures. Also, tell the others which is the worst idea of these (and why): wild animals, national food or famous paintings.

Role B – Wild Animals

You think pictures of wild animals are the best things to put on banknotes. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their pictures. Also, tell the others which is the worst idea of these (and why): national heroes, national food or famous paintings.

Role C – National Food

You think pictures of national food are the best things to put on banknotes. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their pictures. Also, tell the others which is the worst idea of these (and why): wild animals, national heroes or famous paintings.

Role D – Famous Paintings

You think pictures of famous paintings are the best things to put on banknotes. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their pictures. Also, tell the others which is the worst idea of these (and why): wild animals, national food or national heroes.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look online / in your dictionary to find collocates, information on, synonyms for... the words 'bank' and 'note'.

bank	note

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• angry• process• voted• means• powerful• hands	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• difficult• looking• politicians• silly• war• grandfather
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BANKNOTES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about banknotes in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

BANKNOTES DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'banknote'?
3. Is the British English word 'banknote' or American English 'bill' best?
4. What do you think of the design of banknotes in your country?
5. Do you like banknotes, or is digital money better?
6. What are the pros and cons of using cash?
7. What do you think of the anger in the UK over the wildlife pictures?
8. Which are better to put on banknotes, wildlife or national heroes?
9. How connected do you feel to nature?
10. How much do you worry about biodiversity?

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BANKNOTES DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'coin'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you think of what the angry politicians said?
15. What do you think of the pictures on your banknotes?
16. Why might pictures of animals be more difficult to fake?
17. Who are your country's most important historical figures?
18. What do you know about Sir Winston Churchill?
19. Do you agree with what Sir Winston Churchill's daughter said?
20. What questions would you like to ask a banknote designer?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1. | (a) angrily | (b) anger | (c) angry | (d) angers |
| 2. | (a) replacing | (b) replaced | (c) replace | (d) replaces |
| 3. | (a) after | (b) ahead | (c) later | (d) then |
| 4. | (a) like | (b) liking | (c) liked | (d) likes |
| 5. | (a) as | (b) at | (c) by | (d) of |
| 6. | (a) at | (b) by | (c) in | (d) to |
| 7. | (a) make | (b) take | (c) fake | (d) bake |
| 8. | (a) unhappily | (b) cleverly | (c) victory | (d) leading |
| 9. | (a) head | (b) skull | (c) body | (d) foot |
| 10. | (a) have | (b) do | (c) make | (d) be |
| 11. | (a) badly | (b) worse | (c) baddie | (d) baddish |
| 12. | (a) no | (b) now | (c) not | (d) non |

SPELLING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

Paragraph 1

1. replacing famous sltiaircho figures
2. The ropessc to make this change
3. Sustainability rtpex
4. velua British wildlife
5. a beautiful nptotproyui
6. put dtiroyvebiis in all our hands

Paragraph 2

7. iesmag of wildlife
8. iakgfn banknotes
9. looking at the curyesit of banknotes
10. many leading csalitipnoi are very unhappy
11. isgeran our history
12. I oalbslteyu do not support it

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () "Removing Churchill from banknotes is erasing our history. Changing the pictures to put wild
- () and birds. Sustainability expert Ali Fisher said: "This is a powerful reminder of how deeply people feel connected
- () animals on them is a silly thing to do. I absolutely do not support it." The Liberal Democrat Party leader said: "I can't
- () caused by the Bank of England replacing famous historical figures with wildlife. The process to make this change
- () difficult. It said nature was a great choice when looking at the security of banknotes. Despite this, many leading
- () had no problem with an animal replacing her grandfather.
- () leader Sir Winston Churchill, writer Jane Austen, and artist JMW Turner will be replaced by animals
- () of nature was the most popular choice. This means national heroes like WWII
- () politicians are very unhappy about removing the historical figures. The head of the Conservative Party said:
- (**1**) Some people in the UK are angry that pictures on British banknotes will change. Their anger has been
- () The Bank explained that images of wildlife would make faking banknotes more
- () think of a worse time to do this with a war waging in Europe." However, Churchill's granddaughter
- () to and value British wildlife." She added: "It's a beautiful opportunity to put biodiversity in all our hands."
- () was democratic. More than 26,000 people voted after a public discussion. The theme

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

1. angry are in people Some the UK .
2. change democratic make process The this to was .
3. most nature of popular the theme The was .
4. deeply how of people powerful reminder A .
5. Beautiful biodiversity hands in our opportunities put to .
6. a choice great It nature said was .
7. about are figures historical Politicians removing the unhappy .
8. banknotes Churchill erasing from history is our Removing .
9. a can't I of think time worse .
10. a Do Europe in this war waging with .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/260319-british-banknotes.html>

Some people in the UK are *angrily* / *angry* that pictures on British banknotes will change. Their anger has been *cased* / *caused* by the Bank of England replacing famous historical figures *with* / *to* wildlife. The *progress* / *process* to make this change was democratic. More than 26,000 people voted *after* / *ahead* a public discussion. The theme of *natural* / *nature* was the most popular choice. This means national heroes *liked* / *like* WWII leader Sir Winston Churchill, writer Jane Austen, and artist JMW Turner will be replaced *at* / *by* animals and birds. Sustainability expert Ali Fisher said: "This is a powerful reminder of *how* / *what* deeply people feel connected to and value British wildlife." She added: "It's a beautiful opportunity to put biodiversity in *every* / *all* our hands."

The Bank *explained* / *explain* that images of wildlife would make *faking* / *taking* banknotes more difficult. It said nature was a great *choice* / *choose* when looking at the security *of* / *to* banknotes. Despite this, many leading politicians are very unhappy about *remove* / *removing* the historical figures. The head of the Conservative Party said: "Removing Churchill *to* / *from* banknotes is erasing our history. Changing the pictures to put wild animals on them is a silly *thing* / *things* to do. I absolutely do not support it." The Liberal Democrat Party leader said: "I can't *think* / *thought* of a worse time to do *these* / *this* with a war waging in Europe." However, Churchill's granddaughter had no problem with *an* / *the* animal replacing her grandfather.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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S_m_ p__pl_ _n th_ _K _r_ _ngry th_t p_ct_r_s _n Br_t_sh b_nkn_t_s w_ll ch_ng_. Th__r _ng_r h_s b__n c__s_d by th_ B_nk _f _ngl_nd r_pl_c_ng f_m__s h_st_r_c_l f_g_r_s w_th w_ldl_f_. Th_ pr_c_ss t_ m_k_ th_s ch_ng_ w_s d_m_cr_t_c. M_r_ th_n 26,000 p__pl_ v_t_d _ft_r _ p_bl_c d_sc_ss__n. Th_ th_m_ _f n_t_r_ w_s th_ m_st p_p_l_r ch__c_. Th_s m__ns n_t__n_l h_r__s l_k_ WW__ l__d_r S_r W_nst_n Ch_rch_ll, wr_t_r J_n_ __st_n, _nd _rt_st JMW T_rn_r w_ll b_ r_pl_c_d by _n_m_ls _nd b_rds. S_st__n_b_l_t_y _xp_r_t _l_ F_sh_r s__d: "Th_s _s _ p_w_r_f_l r_m_nd_r _f h_w d__ply p__pl_ f__l c_nn_ct_d t_ _nd v_l__ Br_t_sh w_ldl_f_." Sh_ _dd_d: "_t's _ b__t_f_l _pp_r_t_n_t_y t_ p_t b__d_v_rs_t_y _n _ll __r h_nds."

Th_ B_nk _xpl__n_d th_t _m_g_s _f w_ldl_f_ w__ld m_k_ f_k_ng b_nkn_t_s m_r_ d_ff_c_lt. _t s__d n_t_r_ w_s _ gr__t ch__c_ wh_n l__k_ng _t th_ s_c_r_t_y _f b_nkn_t_s. D_sp_t_ th_s, m_ny l__d_ng p_l_t_c__ns _r_ v_ry _nh_ppy _b__t r_m_v_ng th_ h_st_r_c_l f_g_r_s. Th_ h__d _f th_ C_ns_rv_t_v_ P_rty s__d: "R_m_v_ng Ch_rch_ll fr_m b_nkn_t_s _s _r_s_ng __r h_st_ry. Ch_ng_ng th_ p_ct_r_s t_ p_t w_ld _n_m_ls _n th_m _s _ s_lly th_ng t_ d_. _ _bs_l_t_ly d_ n_t s_pp_r_t _t." Th_ L_b_r_l D_m_cr_t P_rty l__d_r s__d: "_ c_n't th_nk _f _ w_rs_ t_m_ t_ d_ th_s w_th _ w_r w_g_ng _n __r_p_." H_w_v_r, Ch_rch_ll's gr_ndd__ght_r h_d n_ pr_bl_m w_th _n _n_m_l r_pl_c_ng h_r gr_ndf_th_r.

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. BANKNOTES: Make a poster about banknotes. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. NATIONAL HEROES: Write a magazine article about requiring all banknotes to have pictures of national heroes on them. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on banknotes. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on their design. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. e 3. f 4. a 5. b 6. g 7. d
8. i 9. j 10. m 11. l 12. k 13. n 14. h

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F 2 T 3 T 4 F 5 T 6 F 7 F 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. g	2. d	3. j	4. b	5. f
6. h	7. a	8. i	9. c	10. e

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. The Bank of England
2. More than 26,000
3. Jane Austen
4. British wildlife
5. Biodiversity
6. Fake banknotes
7. History
8. A silly thing to do
9. Europe
10. His granddaughter

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

1. Some people in the UK are angry.
2. The process to make this change was democratic.
3. The theme of nature was the most popular.
4. A powerful reminder of how deeply people.
5. Beautiful opportunities to put biodiversity in our hands.
6. It said nature was a great choice.
7. Politicians are unhappy about removing the historical figures.
8. Removing Churchill from banknotes is erasing our history.
9. I can't think of a worse time.
10. Do this with a war waging in Europe.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. c 7. d 8. a 9. a 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)