



I SPY a DOLLAR! SIGNS & SYMBOLS (CON'T)

REFERENCE SHEET



The face of a \$1 bill has many I Spy questions.

- What Federal Reserve bank issued the bill?
- What is the Federal Reserve Code letter?
- What is the Federal Reserve district number?
- What year was it printed?
- What is the serial number of the bill?
- Where is the Treasury Seal on the bill?
- How many number 1's and the word one appear on the front of a \$1 bill and how many appear on the back?
- What is the total number of 1's and the word "one" on a \$1 bill?
- What cabinet member or what Secretary's signature is on the bill?
- What is the average life of a \$1 bill? (18 months)

On the back of a \$1 bill.

- The two circles on the back of the \$1 bill show the Great Seal of the United States. It was adopted in 1782, and the dollar bill is the only place the government uses the front and back of the seal. The seal stands for power and authority of the United States government its branches of government, and the ideal on which the United States was founded.
- The face of the seal has an eagle and groups or sets of 13, which symbolize the original 13 colonies. There are 8 sets of 13. Locating all 8 sets could be one of the I Spy questions.
- 13 stars above the eagle's head
- 13 stripes in the shield on the eagle's breast
- 13 berries on the olive branch in the eagle's right claw
- 13 leaves on the eagle's right claw
- 13 arrows in the eagle's left claw
- 13 letters in the motto on the ribbon in the eagle's beak
- 13 rows of stones in the unfinished pyramid
- 13 letters in the Latin motto above the pyramid, Annuit Coeptis, meaning "God has favored our undertakings."
- The reverse of the Great Seal is the pyramid, which represents strength and endurance, while the unfinished state of the pyramid indicates the United States' continuing growth and improvement.

Federal Reserve Banks

District	Code	Location
1	A	Boston
2	B	New York
3	C	Philadelphia
4	D	Cleveland
5	E	Richmond
6	F	Atlanta
7	G	Chicago
8	H	St. Louis
9	I	Minneapolis
10	J	Kansas City
11	K	Dallas
12	L	San Francisco

