

# Bank of England Museum

## Activity Sheet no 1– I-Spy in the Bank

Age: <5 yrs



Put a tick in the box against each item that you find when requested.

### The Stock Office

Mr J M Gandy, an artist, worked for Sir John Soane  
Can you find a picture on the wall showing a building in ruins?

The Threadneedle Street building was demolished and rebuilt (1925 to 1939).  
Can you find a black and white photograph showing a man with a pickaxe?

King William and Queen Mary were on the throne, together, when the Bank was founded in 1694.  
Can you find a small plate with a hand drawn picture of them on it?

## The Early Year (1694-1800)

We have an iron chest that is more than 300 years old. It was used to keep money safe. Can you find the iron chest?

There is a musical instrument – a violin - in the room with wooden panels. Can you see it?

## The Rotunda (1800-1946)

Ratty and Mole are two of the animals in the story 'The Wind in the Willows'. Can you find them in a rowing boat?

Can you find a showcase with a real gold bar?  
Put your hand in and try to pick it up. It weighs 13kg!

## The Banknote Gallery

Can you find a lion on a banknote?  
He is carrying something used to keep things safe.

## The Modern Economy (1946-Today)

The Bank looks after the United Kingdom's gold.  
Can you see a photograph of stacked gold bars?

Printing on banknotes can be very small.  
Can you find a magnifying glass?

Companies such as banks give money to football teams for advertising.  
Can you find a football shirt?