

Rising Star



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Money with a 'LIGHT SHOW'

Kids ... our \$100 Bill has been redesigned and two of its new security features are like 'mini movies.'

These features have been developed after more than 10 years of research to protect our currency from counterfeiting. Our \$100 bill is the most widely circulated bill and is the one that is most often counterfeited outside our country.

► 3D Blue Security Ribbon

There are thousands of tiny lenses in the ribbon that magnify objects inside in almost magical ways. Tilt the new note back and forth and you will see tiny bells on the ribbon change to \$100 bills as they move. And as you tilt the note back and forth, the images will move side to side; tilt side to side and the images will move up and down.

► The Inkwell

To the right of Benjamin Franklin's portrait is an inkwell that will change from **copper** to **green** when the note is tilted—you will also see a Liberty Bell appear and disappear inside the inkwell.



Changes—Imagery on the note has been changed as well. The view of Independence Hall now features the rear of the building rather than the front and both the building and Franklin's portrait have been enlarged. The ovals around the building and portrait have been removed.

New Images—The new bill displays American symbols of freedom including phrases from the Declaration of Independence and the quill of the Founding Fathers used to sign the Declaration. They are located to the right of Franklin's portrait. The new bill will be issued on February 10, 2011

Kids—find out more at www.newmoney.gov

3D mini 'movie' bells & bills



Color blinking inkwell and bell

How much do you know about the National Spelling BEE?



KIDS—This year the National Spelling **Bee** will be held June 2nd through 4th.

The National Spelling **Bee** began in 1925 with nine contestants. It was sponsored by a Kentucky newspaper, the Louisville Courier-Journal which conducted a statewide contest to find the best spellers in the state.

They challenged other newspapers to choose their best spellers and compete in Washington, D.C. to determine a national champion.

In 1941, Scripps took over sponsorship of the **Bee**. There has been a **Bee** every year except during the war years of 1943-45.

The **Bee** was the inspiration for the Oscar-nominated documentary *Spellbound*, the acclaimed movie *Akeelah and the Bee* and a Tony-award winning musical *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*.

Enrollment in the Scripps National Spelling **Bee** begins the year before the **Bee** during the month of August—so if you are an avid speller, talk to your teacher or go online and see what it takes!

www.spellingbee.com



Kids ... how many times is the word BEE mentioned in this article?