

KIRBY COLLECTS COINS

Kirby jumped out of bed excited to spend the day with Grandpa Roo. Grandpa and Grandma had come for the holidays and were still there, but today was just for the two of them, Grandpa and Kirby.

"Good morning, Kirby!" Grandpa said, while Kirby gave him a hug.

Pulling back, Kirby smiled and responded, "Good morning, Grandpa! What are we going to do today?"

Grandpa folded the newspaper he had been reading before Kirby came into the room. 'Well, I brought this out of my collection for you." Grandpa slid an indian head penny across the table. "I thought maybe we could see what information we can find out about it for starters. Then I can help you start a collection of your own."

Kirby looked confused. "What makes this special, Grandpa?" Kirby asked.

Grandpa took a sip of his coffee and answered, "Have you ever heard of coin collecting?"

Kirby nodded and replied, "Of course, Grandpa. I have a coin bank that I put all of my change in. Then, when it's full, I take it to my credit union to deposit."

"That's a great start, Kirby, but I mean more than that. There's an entire study devoted to learning about coins. It's called numismatics. Some coins are rare or just special, so they're worth a lot more than their face value. Indian head pennies are one that tend to be worth a lot more. What do you say? Want to get on your computer and do a little research?" Grandpa asked.

"Let's go get on my computer Grandpa! This sounds like fun. I wonder what it's worth?" Kirby said grabbing Grandpa's hand to lead him out of the kitchen.

Kirby sat down in front of the computer with Grandpa and asked, "What do I look for?"

Grandpa looked at the coin saying, "Look up 1904 Indian Head penny."

Kirby typed the information in to the computer and waited for the results to pop up. Kirby read the results to Grandpa, "Depending on the condition ... It can be worth anywhere from \$2 to \$20! Wow! I didn't realizes coins could be worth so much."

Grandpa nodded, "They can Kirby. It's a fun hobby."

Kirby reached for his coin bank and dumped the contents on the desk. Kirby studied the coins and told Grandpa, "I want to see what else I have that could be worth a lot!"

Grandpa chuckled and said, "Let's look."

"Grandpa, this will be fun to do together. We can even talk about what we find, when you go home," Kirby said sifting through the coins.

"I think so too Kirby," Grandpa responded, while he examined one coin more closely.

IS IT REALLY ONLY A DOLLAR?

Have you ever had a silver dollar?

The face value may say a dollar, but if it is truly made of silver it is worth much more. To determine what a silver dollar is really worth take its weight (26.73 grams on average) times the current price of silver. So when this was written a silver dollar is worth more than \$21!

For more Kirby fun, check out your Credit Union's website.

EASY MARDI GRAS COOKIES

Have you heard of Mardi Gras?

It is a popular holiday in New Orleans. Did you also know that many people in New Orleans also speak French. There are three colors that go with Mardi Gras and each has its own meaning. Purple stands for justice, green for faith, and gold for power. You can celebrate your own Mardi Gras with this simple recipe.

INGREDIENTS



- · Pillsbury Ready To Bake! refrigerated sugar cookies
- Pillsbury vanilla creamy ready-to-spread frosting
- Purple, yellow and green sprinkles

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Prepare cookies according to package instructions. Let cool.
- 2. Frost cookies, then add sprinkles. It's easier if you put the sprinkles in a bowl, then use your fingers to add the sprinkles in straight lines. You have more control using your fingers instead of shaking it right out of the bottle.

Winter Fun

Search up, down, forward, backward, and

on the diagonal to find the hidden words! HOCKEY BLIZZARD ICICLE HOT COCOA HAT

TOBOGGAN SKATING MITTENS GAMES COLD APPLE CIDER PARKA FORT COOKIES SCARF SNOWBALL FIGHT ANGELS SLEPPING FIREPLACE SKI

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