Science, Mathematics and Money

• The people and ideas depicted on currency reflect national and cultural priorities.

• Many foreign countries feature scientists, mathematicians, engineers, and philosophers on their bills, including formulas & instruments!

• Some countries depict only politicians on money.

Q: Why does this matter?
Carl Friedrich Gauss

German Marks
Leonhard Euler
Swiss Francs
Lord Kelvin
British Pounds

Michael Faraday
British Pounds
Galileo Galilei

Italian Lires
Guglielmo Marconi

Italian Lire
Democritus of Abdera
Greek Drachma

Alessandro Volta
Italian Lire
Marie and Pierre Curie

French Francs
René Descartes explains the coordinate system which ties together algebra and geometry.
Voltaire
French Francs

Louie Pasteur
French Francs
"M. Pasteur, I'd like you to meet someone who has another idea about improving the quality of milk, M. Homogen."
GREAT MOMENTS IN SHOPPING

LOUIS PASTEUR BUYING HIS FIRST QUART OF PASTEURIZED MILK
Erwin Schrödinger
Austrian Schillings

Lord Earnest Rutherford
New Zealand Dollars
Nicola Tesla

Serbian Dinars
Nicola Tesla

Yugoslavian Dinars

$10^{10}$!
Nicola Tesla
Yugoslavian Dinars

Niels Bohr
Danish Kroner
Abu Ali al-Hasan

Iraqi Dinars

Sigmund Freud

Austrian Schillings
Charles Darwin
British Pounds

Richard Dawkins