

The Penny Quiz

Instructions: Match each penny phrase on the right with its meaning on the left. Since one penny costs four pence/pennies to make in 2025, they will soon be history.

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| 1. ___ manna, windfall | A. penny farthing |
| 2. ___ cheap investment | B. penny dreadful |
| 3. ___ early bicycle, UK 1871 | C. "The penny dropped." |
| 4. ___ "He finally understands." | D. penny whistle or pipe |
| 5. ___ comfortable shoe, 1930s | E. pennies from heaven |
| 6. ___ "I'm poor." | F. penny royal |
| 7. ___ urinate | G. penny stock or share |
| 8. ___ cheap newspaper | H. "I don't have a penny to bless me with." |
| 9. ___ herb, mint variety | I. spend a penny |
| 10. ___ cheap wind instrument | J. penny loafer |

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| 1. ___ early postal system | A. penny black |
| 2. ___ "Watch the small stuff." | B. penny pincher |
| 3. ___ world's first stamp | C. penny post |
| 4. ___ a respectable living | D. "A penny for your thoughts." |
| 5. ___ "I'm fully committed." | E. a pretty penny |
| 6. ___ miser, cheapskate | F. "Take care of the pennies; pounds/£ will care for themselves." |
| 7. ___ expensive | G. penny wise, pound/£ foolish |
| 8. ___ "He has the worse luck." | H. "I'm in for a penny, in for a pound/£." |
| 9. ___ tight and extravagant | I. "He turns up like a bad penny." |
| 10. ___ "What's on your mind?" | J. an honest penny |

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--"A penny saved is a penny earned." *Poor Richard's Almanac*, Ben urged readers to be frugal; he took off his leather printer's apron and retired a wealthy man at 42. He did not patent his lightning rod because he didn't need the \$.

--On *The Big Bang Theory*, junior-college educated Penny (Penelope?) is the only character with any common sense among the six Cal Tech physicists, biologists, and engineers who are her friends and neighbors.