

Max's Christmas Market Math

Learning objective: To develop early mathematical skills by using addition and subtraction with money up to £5 and recognising coin values.

Max the monkey is helping at the Christmas Market! Look at the price tags on the festive items below. Use your coins to help Max work out how much things cost. Draw lines to match the items to the correct total price, or write the number of £1 coins needed to buy each item.

Word bank: Penny · Pound · Total · Add · More · Less

1. A candy cane costs £1 and a shiny bauble costs £2. How much do they cost altogether? (2 marks)

2. If you have £5 and spend £3 on a gingerbread star, how much money is left in your pocket? (2 marks)

3. A small Christmas tree costs £4. If you have three £1 coins, do you have enough money to buy it? (Yes or No) (2 marks)

4. Max finds a festive ribbon for £1 and a sprig of holly for £1. What is the total cost? (2 marks)

5. Which item is more expensive: a gift tag for £1 or a festive hat for £2? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey standing at his Christmas stall. Can you draw a gingerbread star with a price tag of £2 next to him?



Extension challenge: Ask an adult to help you create your own 'store' at home using toys. Label them with price tags from £1 to £5 and practice 'buying' them using real or play money.