

\$5 and a Magnifying Glass

Use your hand lens to look closely at the front of a \$5 bill, printed after 1990.

Use it to answer the following questions:

1. In what year was the money printed?

Why do you think the directions ask for money printed after 1990?

2. Find the Federal Reserve seal. In what city was the bill printed?

3. Find the paper strip hidden in the bill. What does it say?

4. What colors of fibers can you see in the bill?

5. Look closely at the double line around the president's portrait. What do you see there?

6. Look closely at the portrait. What do you notice about the light and dark areas?

7. Look at the pictures on the back. What details can you see with your lens that are hard to see with your own eyes?

8. Why do you think there are so many details on our money?