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Currency Exchange

The aim of this lesson is to make the students use the key vocabulary and target expressions in a more natural manner.

Language Point

That would come to \$872.60	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- That would add up to \$872.60.- The total amount would be \$872.60- That would be equal to \$872.60	
I can do that.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- I can arrange that.- I can take care of that.- I can handle that.	

Key vocabulary

currency	rate	bill	sign
teller	come to	identification	all set

Part 1

I. INTRODUCTION

Foreign exchange transactions take place on the **foreign exchange market**. One currency is traded for another because of commerce, trading or tourism.



II. PRESENTATION

A. Expressions

	Questions:
That would come to \$872.60	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ When was the last time you had to exchange Japanese yen for another country's currency?
I can do that.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Are you afraid to invest in stocks?

B. Dialogue

Practice the dialogue with your teacher.

Jiro: Hi, I want to change some Japanese yen for U.S. dollars please.

Teller: How much would you like to exchange?

Jiro: One hundred thousand yen.

Teller: That's no problem. Our rate today is 114.60. That would come to \$872.60.

Jiro: Can I have that in mostly fifty- and twenty-dollar bills? No hundred-dollar bills please.

Teller: Yes, I can do that. May I see your passport for identification and sign here please?

Jiro: Of course, here you go. Can you please put it in an envelope for me?

Teller: Certainly, you're all set. Have a wonderful day.

Jiro: Thanks very much, you as well.

Q & A!



- Which is better, exchanging money before travelling or exchanging money after arriving at the destination?
- Is there such a thing as “unfair exchange rates”?
- What do you find confusing about foreign currency?

Part 2

III. PRACTICE

Use the newly learned vocabulary and expressions in the following practice exercises.

A. Currencies

Directions: Match the currency with its corresponding country.

Yuan	Euro	Shilling
Ruble	Rupee	Dollar
Dong	Rupiah	Real



B. Let's Talk!

Directions: Express yourself! Answer the questions about money matters.

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Some people think there are more important things than money, like family and friends.

In your case, how important is money?

If you had \$10,000, what would you do with it?

What do you think about investing?



C. Role-Play

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Talk to your teacher about how much money he/she needs to travel around Tokyo for one week.

Help him/her convert his/her money to Japanese yen.

Use the vocabulary and expressions you have learned.