

YN-SIDER

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NAME THE MINTS - ANSWERS

Below are the answers and a little about each mint.

- 1. Philadelphia, PA: Used from 1793 to the present. Uses the mint mark "P". This is the main mint. Most coins struck here do not have a mint mark on them. The exceptions to the 'no mint mark' are the Wartime nickels of 1942-45, the Susan B. Anthony dollars of 1979 and all Philadelphia coins since 1980. The cent still does not have a mint mark.
- 2. Denver, CO: Used from 1906 to present. Uses the mint mark "D". This mint was established as a result of the major gold and silver discoveries in Colorado. The Denver mint started as an assay office. The building was completed in 1904 and enlarged in 1937. In 1969, Denver set a record by producing more than 5 billion coins!
- 3. West Point, NY: Used from 1984 to present. Uses the mint mark "W". This mint is located next to the US Military Academy. It used to be a bullion depository. It officially became a mint in 1988. It began to strike coins and medals in 1974. But no mint marks appeared until 1983 when the 1984 Olympic \$10 gold eagles were struck.
- 4. San Francisco, CA: Used from 1854 to present. Uses the mint mark "S". This mint was established when gold was discovered in California in 1848. Due to the gold rush, coins were in short supply. So Congress established a mint which began producing coinage by 1854.
- 5. Carson City, NV: Used from 1870 to 1893. Used the mint mark "CC". This mint was established when the Comstock Lode of Virginia City, Nevada was discovered. This was a short lived facility. But it produced some of the scarcest coins in numismatics.
- 6. New Orleans, LA: Used from 1838 to 1909. It used the mint mark "O". This mint was under both Union and Confederate forces during the Civil War. It is the only one of the three that were under Confederate control to continue operation after the end of the Civil War. After the mint closed in 1909, the building was used as an assay office until 1942. Then the building was renovated as a museum in 1979.
- 7. Charlotte, NC: Used from 1838 to 1861. It used the mint mark "C". This mint was a short lived facility. It only struck gold coins during its existence. The Confederacy seized it in 1861. It never reopened after that.
- 8. Dahlonega, GA: Used from 1838 to 1861. It used the mint mark "D". This was, also, a short lived facility. It, also, only struck gold coins. And it was, also, seized by the Confederacy in 1861. And it, also, never reopened after that.

So how did you do? Did you get them all? I hope you enjoyed this. It was interesting to learn about the different mints. If you get a chance to tour one, do it. I had the opportunity to tour one and it was amazing!

YN Assignment for March 2022 TRIVIA

1. What year was the first U.S. commemorative coin minted?		
2. What is the study or collecting of coins called?		
3. How many different type quarters will be minted in 2009?		
4. Which of the current circulating type coins doesn't have a	mint mark?	
5. The three sides of a coin are obverse, reverse, and		
6. What is the flat area of a coin's obverse or reverse called?		
7. How many cent designs were minted in 2009?		
8. What is the first U.S. coin to have a "P" mint mark?		
9. What year was the first "Modern Commemorative" coin m	inted?	
10. What is the "term" given to describe a coin created by two	o dies not intended to be	used together?
If any YN is unable to attend the meeting, the assignment may be mailed to: Jim Guy	10 correct 9 correct	3 YN dollars 2 YN dollars

YN Advisor Minute

- Coin Search: The first YN to bring to a meeting a P or D cent, nickel, or dime will earn a YN dollar
- Feb. Birthdays: Birthday wishes to Eli and Kaleb

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• YN Advisor Absence: Your advisor will not be at the March meeting. Dillon will be doing the YN activities. Please give Dillon your UNDIVIDED attention. Also, bring your Red Book with you to the meeting.

Editor's Say

I hope everyone is enjoying your 2022 so far. Mr. Guy will not be at the next meeting. Be sure to bring your red book to the next meeting. You're going to need it. Hope to see you there for some fun and sweet treats.

Dillon

1 YN dollar

8 correct