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How much is my old pound coin worth?

Last week, the old yellow £1 ceased to be legal tender. While many people cashed in their round pound coins in the bank, it might be worth hanging on to your old coin for a bit as they could be worth something in a few years. In fact - some might even be worth a lot now!

Alison hates her sofa. It is very uncomfortable to sit on! One night she put her hand down the back of her sofa and unbelievably found the following pound coins;



2011 Edinburgh coin – selling for £95 on EBay.

2010 London coin - selling for £68 on EBay.

2008
Royal
Arms
coin selling for
£57 on EBay.

2013
Daffodil
& Leek
coin selling for
£15 on EBay.

Alison has set her heart on a lovely new sofa but needs to pay off her old one first. She has a balance of £249 to clear. If Alison manages to sell her pound coins on EBay for the stated values will she make enough money to pay off her old sofa?

YOU MUST GIVE A REASON FOR YOUR ANSWER!

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Official name for Han Solo film revealed

On Tuesday the 17th of October, director Ron Howard Ron Howard revealed the official name of the untitled Han Solo film: *Solo: A Star Wars Story*.

The film is due to be released in UK cinemas 220 days after his announcement.

On what date will the film be released in UK cinemas?



NASA has a job vacancy for a 'Planetary Protection Officer' and it pays very well!

The job, advertised on NASA's website, offers a salary of \$187 000 per year.

The current exchange rate is £1 = \$1.32.

How much is this salary in pounds and pence?

P.S. You need a degree in mathematics if you wish to apply!



Traffic jams: UK's worst motorway disruption revealed

The worst traffic jams in the UK left drivers facing hours of disruption and tailbacks. A fuel spill, broken down vehicles and an emergency viaduct repair were behind the most severe delays.

Traffic analysts looked at disruption on motorways between September 2016 and August 2017 and found there were, on average, 3700 traffic jams a day.

(a) What was the total number of traffic jams in the UK over this period?

The worst traffic jam during this period was a 36 mile tailback on the M5 where

cars took 15 hours to pass through it!

(b) What was the average speed of the cars passing through this traffic jam?



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