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## Be cash wise this holiday season

It's been another challenging year due to the pandemic, but the Bank of Canada would still like to remind you to be vigilant in checking the security features on your bank notes this holiday season.

Counterfeiters typically see the holidays as a prime opportunity to pass fake notes. The Bank's advice: don't let them.

Remember: **Routinely checking all bank notes** allows you to intercept counterfeiters, keeping them out of the till and out of Canadians' change.

Always look at two or more security features when checking bank notes.

Quick tips for checking the security features on polymer notes:



- Feel the smooth texture of the note - it's a **single piece of polymer** with transparent areas.
- Feel the **raised ink** on:
  - the large number
  - the shoulders of the portrait
  - the words "Bank of Canada" and "Banque du Canada."

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- See **colour changes** in the detailed metallic portrait and building - flip to see the same colours and detail **on the other side**.

**Remember: All five denominations in the *Frontiers* series have the same security features.**

If you have doubts when verifying a note, refuse it, ask for another note and check it too.

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