

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH 2021

How to make a Piggy Bank

Do you save your pennies and find they grow into pounds?

Priscilla Wakefield lived in Tottenham over 200 years ago. She had the idea of opening a special bank for people on lower incomes. It was often hard for people to save money but by setting up the Penny Bank even women and children could save their own money and know it was safe.



Why not start your own saving and make a piggy bank to keep it safe?

You will need

- A small milk bottle or other small drinks bottle.
- Coloured paper or tissue paper, felt
- 4 small bottle lids for the feet
- Pipe cleaner
- Scissors
- Googly eyes
- Pens/pencils
- Glue and Sellotape

Caution: Adult supervision will be required when completing this craft. Do not leave children unattended when completing this activity.

Instructions

1. Take your clean milk bottle and using a pen drawer a small rectangle on the top of your milk bottle.
2. **Ask an adult for help** and cut out the rectangle to make your coin slot.





3. Take the 4 bottle lids and using glue or tape attach them to the bottom of your milk bottle to make the feet of the Piggy Bank

4. Decorate the bottle and lids with paper or tissue paper – we used pink, but you can make your pig any colour you like. (Make sure not to cover the coin slot at the top).



5. **With adult help** make a small hole in the back of your bottle and add a curly pipe cleaner tail.

6. Add some googly eyes and pointy ears to the bottle and your piggy bank is ready to use.



Fun Fact:

The first Penny Savings Bank was the work of Priscilla Wakefield and helped people to save money. It still exists today as the Post Office Savings Bank.