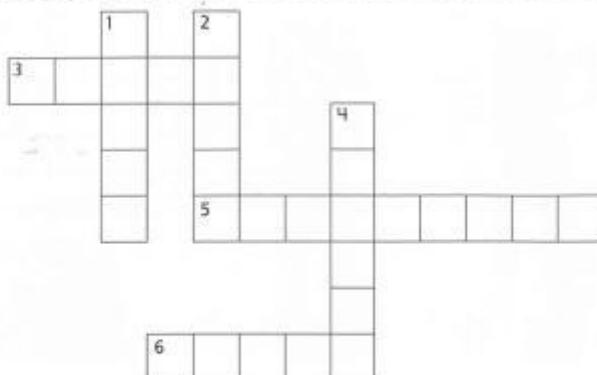


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Read and complete the puzzle with the words in the box.


 coins
 livestock
 metal
 paper
 shells
 trade

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3 Exchange one thing for another
 5 Cows and goats
 6 Round metal money

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1 Bank notes are made of this.
 2 This is very shiny – silver is one type of this.
 4 Some animals live in these.

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16 Complete the text with some of the words from 15. Then listen and check.

The Idea for Paper Money

Long ago, people didn't use bank cards, paper money, or coins to buy things. They bartered with ¹_____ and grain, exchanging them for the things they needed. Over time, people started using other things as money, such as cowrie ²_____. They exchanged the shells for food, animals, and other goods. Then

³_____ coins were made and, finally, paper money. The story of paper money is a fascinating one. The use of bank notes started in the Tang Dynasty. The Tang Dynasty existed in China from AD 618–907.

Before Chinese people used paper money, they used coins. The coins were round and had a square hole in the middle. They kept their ⁴_____ on a rope, so the more coins they had on the rope, the heavier the rope would be. Rich people found that their ropes of coins were too heavy to carry around easily. So what did they do? They left their strings of coins with someone they trusted, and that person wrote down the amount of money he was keeping for them on a piece of paper and gave it to them. When the rich man wanted his money, he took the piece of paper to that trusted person, and he got his coins back. This was a good idea, don't you think? Eventually, ⁵_____ bank notes were created, and people began to use them instead of ropes of coins.

