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ACTIVITY 10-3
EXAMINATION OF U.S. CURRENCY: IS IT REAL OR A FORGERY?

Directions: Complete the steps for the activity listed in your textbook. Record your results in the tables and answer the questions below.

Data Table 1: Pre-test

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Data Table 2: \$1 Bill Examination

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Data Table 3: Hidden Images on the \$10 Bill

Questions:

1. Counterfeiters sometimes collect dollar bills and bleach them to remove the ink. Using a printer, they will print images of a higher-denomination bill on the bleached paper. What is the advantage of bleaching the dollar bill over just printing the higher-denomination bill onto clean paper?
2. Why has it been necessary to make so many changes to our paper currency in the past 30 years as compared to the last 100 years?
3. Of all the safeguards added to our higher-denomination currency, which do you consider the most important and why?
4. Counterfeiters try to pass off their counterfeit money at public events where many people gather. The Olympics held in Salt Lake City, Utah, employed many volunteers. These people are not necessarily trained in checking larger bills to see if they are genuine or counterfeit. Provide a list of four things to quickly and easily check the authenticity of a \$10 bill.