## Mental Math



# Exchange Rate 

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwtgByffoUw
http://www.bankofcanada.ca/rates/exchange/usd-can-summary/

## Exchange Rate

In finance, an exchange rate is the rate at which one countries currency will be exchanged for another countries currency. It is also regarded as the value of one country's currency in terms of another currency.

## Selling Suggested Counter Rate

- is the rate you pay when bank sells you a foreign currency.

Buying Suggested Counter Rate

- is the rate you get when bank buys
your foreign currency
Am RATE $\quad$ DNA
Convert Canadian to American $200 \times 1.1142=222.84 \mathrm{CDN}$
ex. $\$ 200$ American $x$ Selling rate $=$ amount of Candaian money you will pay
Have $\$ 200$ Canadian divide by Selling rate $=$ amount of American money you
$200 \div 1.1172=$ will have
Convert American to Canadian
ex $\$ 200$ American x Buying Rate

The quoted rates will incorporate an allowance for a dealer's margin (or profit) in trading, or else the margin may be recovered in the form of a "commission" or in some other way.

Different rates may also be quoted for cash (usually notes only), a documentary form (such as traveller's cheques) or electronically (such as a credit card purchase).

The higher rate on documentary transactions is due to the additional time and cost of clearing the document, while the cash is available for resale immediately. Some dealers on the other hand prefer documentary transactions because of the security concerns with cash.

Canadian Dollar-Based Rates


As of Monday, Jume 1, 2009. Comasy of Custon House GIobal Exchange.
Note: 1. The following 12 countrics all use the "Euro" as their currency: Austra, Belgimm, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Haly, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal and Spain.
2. The following countries use the "Pound "as their curency (England, N. Ireland, Scotland and Wales).

Ex 1 a) You are planning a 300 to the United States. You figure you'll need $\$ 200$ American dollars for the holiday. Use the foreign cash bulletin, calculate your cost of purchasing $\$ 50$ U.S. with Canadian money. (Using chart from notes)

b) The trip is cancelled. Convert your 300 back to Canadian currency at the bank.

Ex 2 Your grandmother, who lives in Hong Kong, sent you a money order for $\$ 500$ Hong Kong dollars.
*Calculate the amount of Canadian money you would receive, using the foreign cash bulletin.

