Counting Change

When you buy an item, you might not have the exact coins and notes for the amount it costs. However, you can pay with a larger coin or note, and get back some change.

To figure out change, first **round** the price or the total cost to the nearest ten cents. Then **count up** from the rounded cost until you reach the amount given by the customer.

$0.39 ≈ $0.40

The customer gave $1.

Count up from $0.40 →

$0.60 $0.80 $1.00

The change is these coins, or 60 cents.

$0.63 ≈ $0.60

The customer gave 70 c.

Count up from 60 c →

70 c

The change is this coins, or 10 cents.

1. First round the price to the nearest ten cents. Then draw the coins for the change.

a.
$0.94 ≈ $_____
Customer gave $1

Change: _____

b.
$1.75 ≈ $_____
Customer gave $2

Change: _____

c.
$2.43 ≈ $_____
Customer gave $3.

Change: _____

d.
$1.28 ≈ $_____
Customer gave $1.50

Change: _____