

How Many Mickeys and Minnies?

These cute coins can be used for a variety of learning-based games. — [Marigold Haske](#)

Activity Time: 30 minutes plus drying time

What You Need

- 5-10 Unfinished wood wafers
- Acrylic craft paint - black, white, red, pink, gold
- Paintbrushes
- Pencil with new eraser

How to Make It

Paint one side of the wood wafer with Mickey Mouse features. First, paint half of the circle black and half red. Add two small white "button" dots on the red half. Allow to dry.



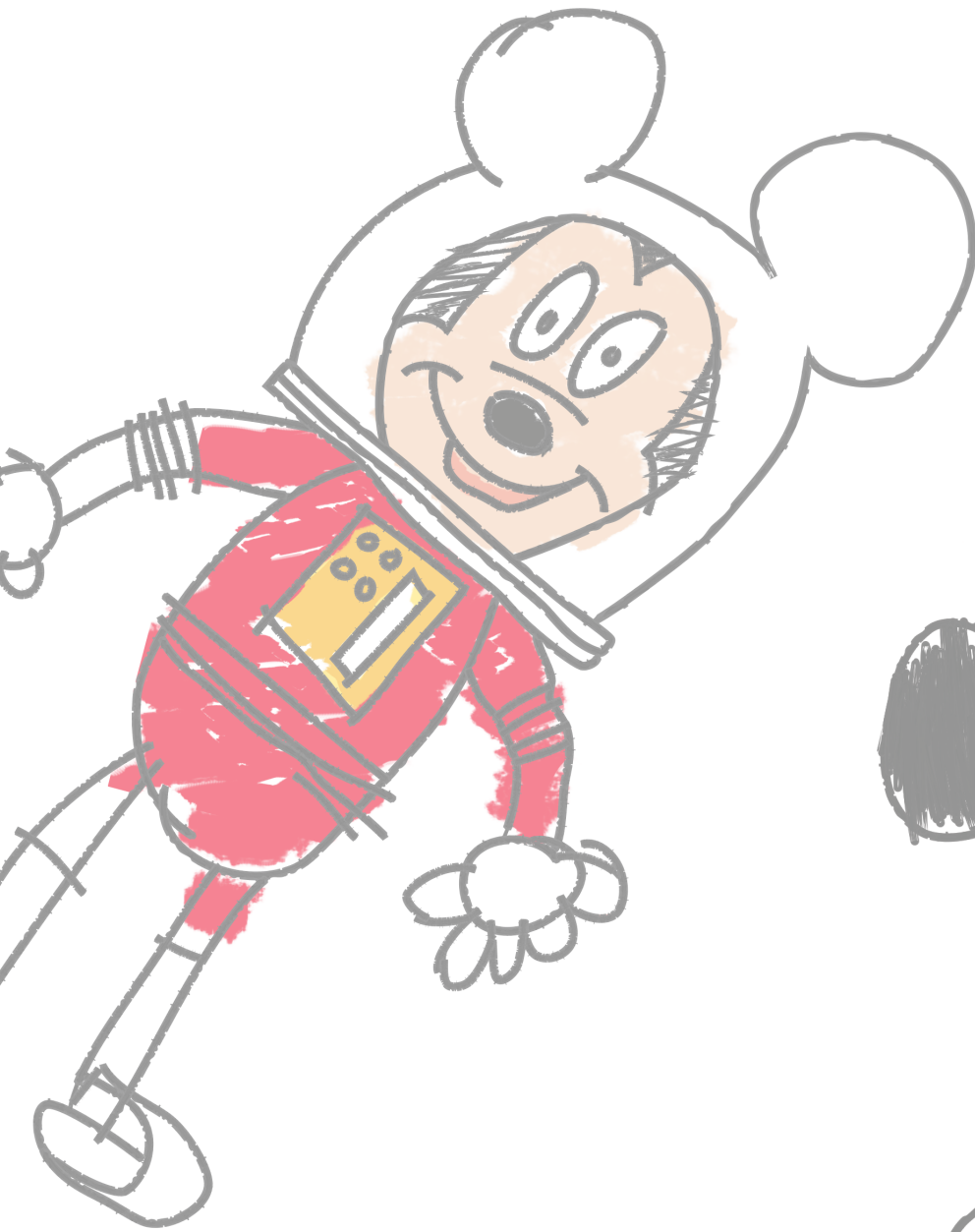
Paint the other side with Minnie Mouse features. Paint all pink and then stamp on white polka dots using a new pencil eraser. Allow to dry. Paint all around the edges with gold paint.



When dry, you can use the Mickey and Minnie coins to play a variety of learning games:

- Put them in a cup, shake, and pour them out. How many Mickeys are there and how many Minnies are there? How many all together? Now, put the coins back into the cup and guess what the next outcome will be. How many times do you have to shake the coins to get the answer you guessed?
- Place all the coins Mickey-side up. Flip one coin. Count how many Mickeys and how many Minnies there are. What does it add up to? Flip over another Mickey. Now how many of each are there? Do they still add up to the same number? Keep flipping Mickeys over to show all the ways you can add up to the same number.
- Practice motor skills by flipping the coins with your thumb.

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