

ACTIVITY 9.2 PRINTABLE: PRETEND \$20 BILL (HARRIET TUBMAN)

Facilitator Note: If using the pretend \$20 image with Harriet Tubman as the face of the bill, take the opportunity before beginning the activity to ask participants if they can name the person featured on the front of the bill. Then explain that the person is Harriet Tubman, a Black American abolitionist (a person who sought to abolish slavery during the 19th century) and a political activist who lived from about 1822 to 1913. She is most known for her brave work leading at least 70 slaves to freedom via the Underground Railroad, a network of secret routes and safe houses used by enslaved African Americans to escape to free states and Canada. Explain that in 2016, the US Treasury announced that Harriet's image would replace former President and enslaver, Andrew Jackson, on the \$20 bill, which would make her the first Black American to be featured on United States currency. The Treasury later determined to delay this change indefinitely.

Explain that, for this activity we are choosing to use this version of the \$20 bill with Harriet Tubman on the front, because imagining a healthy future includes critically thinking about racial justice in the world around us.

