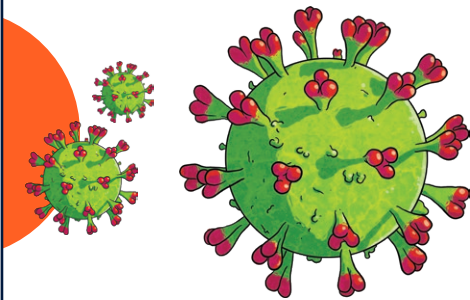


# Katie and Tex Explore Cashless Payments Tech File



Cashless payments are a way of paying for things without using notes or coins.

Cashless payments can be made using a debit or credit card, mobile phone or smartwatch.



Cashless payments also reduce the spread of germs as money is not being exchanged between different people.

Money that people earn is stored securely in a bank account. Money can be moved between bank accounts, kept in a digital wallet or used to buy things online. Cashless payments are a popular way for people to pay for things when they are out and about as they are quick and easy to do and can be safer than carrying money.



Keeping your digital device safe and secure is important when you use it for making cashless payments. Passwords, digital fingerprint scans and facial recognition software all help to stop other people accessing your device and spending your money.

## Did You Know...?

Credit cards were first used in the UK in 1966, debit cards in 1987 and the first contactless bank card in 2007.

## What Can You Do?

At the moment we use smartwatches and phones to make cashless payments. Can you design another piece of wearable tech that could be used to make a payment? Maybe a piece of jewellery or clothing. Label your design to explain how someone could use it.

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