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Bolton Mum Becomes M&S Points Millionaire

M&S Money announce winner of M&S travel money loyalty points competition prize

KINGS MEADOW, UK, October 05, 2008 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- M&S Money has announced the winner of M&S travel money prize. The Bolton mum-of-four is celebrating after winning one million M&S loyalty points worth 10,000 to spend in store.

Janet Smith was delighted when she received a call to tell her she was the lucky winner of the competition organised by M&S Money.

Anyone buying M&S travel money using their M&S [credit card](#) or [chargecard](#) between 1 May - 30 June 2008 was entered into a prize draw to win one million M&S points. There were also five prizes of 100,000 M&S loyalty points worth 1,000 each.

Janet was entered into the draw after buying Canadian Dollars from the bureau de change at the M&S store in Bolton. Janet and her husband Paul used the currency during a trip to see their daughter Jennifer, who emigrated to Canada two years ago.

Janet said: "I was in the shower when I got the call to tell me I had won - I couldn't believe it. It's a wonderful prize and I'm looking forward to spending the money at my local store. I'm going to start by treating my mum for her 88th birthday next week. I'm so glad I bought my travel money at M&S."

Fraser Millar, M&S Head of Travel Services, said: "We had a tremendous response to the competition with over 100,000 entrants. We hope Janet enjoys spending her points in M&S."

M&S Money offers the same [currency exchange rates](#) across all services including telephone and online ordering ensuring that customers get the same deal however they decide to purchase their currency. The bureaux also offer a commission-free currency buy back service with a wide range of currencies available.

M&S Money has been continually expanding the availability of the Travel Money service. Currently Travel Money is available at bureaux de change in over 100 M&S stores, as well as by telephone and online through the [M&S Money](#) website.

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About M&S Money

M&S Money (originally called Marks & Spencer Financial Services) was founded in 1985 as the financial services division of Marks and Spencer Group plc. The company is now a top ten credit card provider and the second largest travel money retailer in the UK. M&S Money also offers insurance for homes, cars, travel, pets and weddings, as well as loans, savings and investments.

In November 2004, Marks & Spencer sold M&S Money to HSBC, one of the world's largest banking and financial services organisations with over 9,500 offices in 76 countries and territories. The business continues to operate under the M&S Money brand, with an executive committee comprising an equal number of representatives from HSBC and Marks & Spencer.

The company employs 1,200 staff at its headquarters in Chester, delivering personal financial services to its customers, reflecting the core values of Marks & Spencer - quality, value, service, innovation and trust.

An ISDN line is available for broadcast interviews