

Depositors use  
checks as money

Banks know depositors do not use  
all their money right away ...

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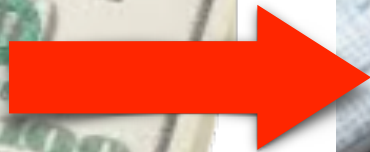
Total Checking  
Account

Balances larger  
than Deposits!

Consumers deposit their  
income for safekeeping  
and the bank issues a  
checking account



The Bank loans out 90%  
of Depositors' money



Checking Account





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Checking Account

Loan



+ Interest!

Checking Account

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Loan

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Checking Account

A large, light pink speech bubble with a small tail pointing towards the bottom right corner. The bubble has a soft drop shadow beneath it.

Total  
Deposits

An orange speech bubble with a black outline and a drop shadow, containing the text "32 Gold ingots".

32 Gold  
ingots

An orange speech bubble with a pointed tail on the left side, containing text.

Certificates to  
redeem 100  
Gold ingots

In the U.S. on any given day, only 10% of the money deposited, is needed to pay for withdrawals





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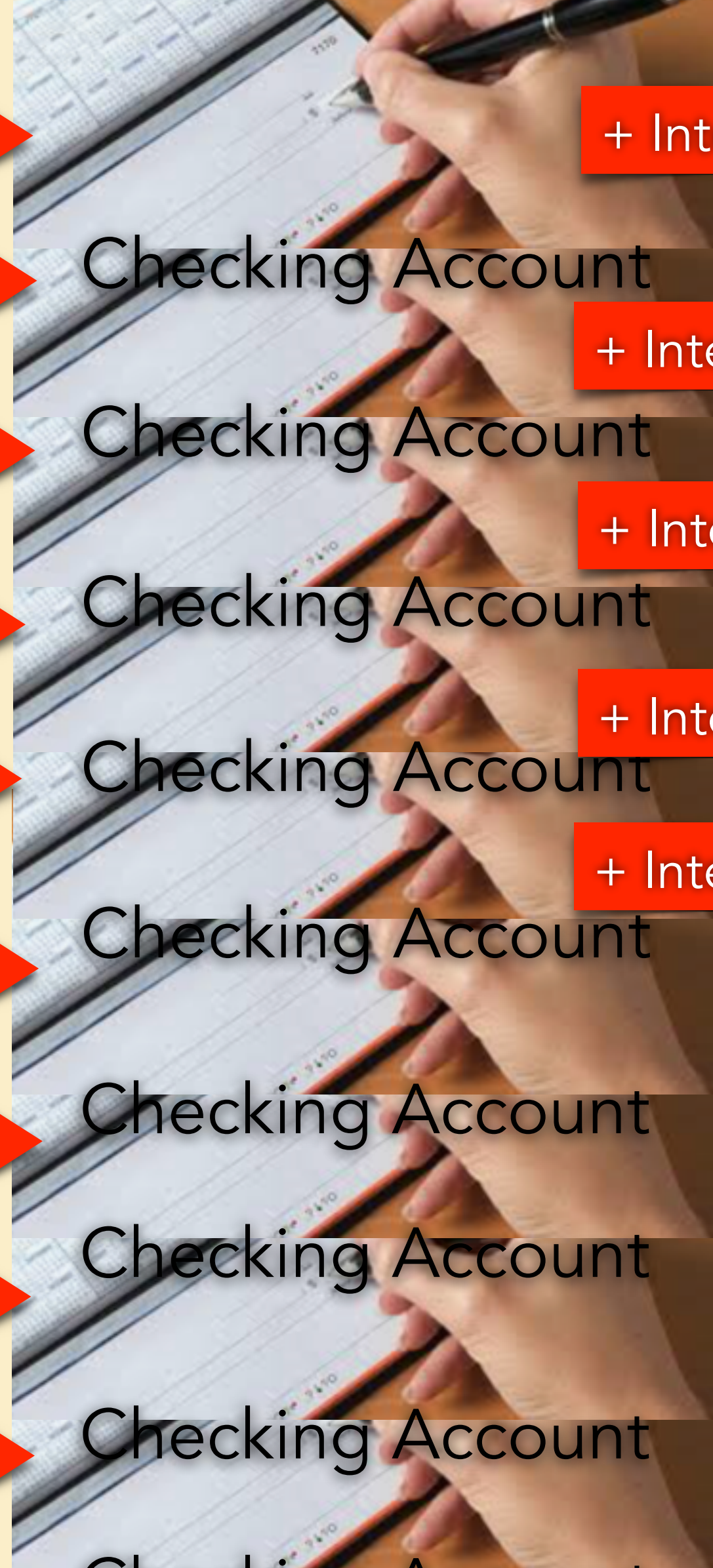
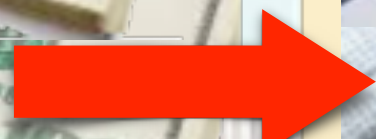
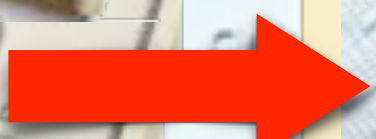
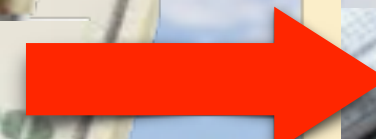
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*Banks create  
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