

SIMPLE INTEREST

Simple Interest

Interest = Principal · Rate · Time

$$I = Prt$$

= Original Amount invested · Annual Interest Rate · Time in YEARS

Total Amount = Original Amount + Interest

$$A = P + I$$

$$= P + Prt$$

$$= P(1 + rt)$$

Example 1 \$3000 is invested for 1 year at a rate of 5%. How much interest is earned? What is the total amount after 1 year?

What are we being asked to find? The Interest Amount.

Given: Rate = 5% per year = .05 per year

Original Amount Invested = \$3000

$$\text{Interest} = \$3000 \cdot (.05/\text{yr}) \cdot (1 \text{ yr}) = \$150$$

$$\text{Total Amount} = \text{Original Amount} + \text{Interest} = \$3000 + \$150$$

Example 2 To start a carpet-cleaning business, a couple borrows \$5,500 to purchase equipment and supplies. If the loan has a 14% interest rate, how much must they repay at the end of the 90-day period?

What are we being asked to find? How much they repay.

Is that only the interest?

How much they repay = _____ + _____

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$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \cdot \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \cdot \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Compound Interest

This is when interest is earned on interest previously earned, not just on the original amount.

Total Amount Earned with Compound Interest

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt}$$

r = annual interest rate expressed in decimal form.

t = time in years

n = number of compoundings in one year.

If compounded annually, n = 1

If compounded semi - annually, n = 2

If compounded monthly, m = 12

If compounded weekly, n = 52

If compounded daily n = 360

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Instructions: Answer the following questions.

Question 1

Ryan deposited \$2,000 in a saving account at the interest rate of 4% per year. How much simple interest will he earn in 5 years?

- A. \$800 B. \$1,000
C. \$450 D. \$400

Question 2

Garcia borrowed \$4,000 from his cousin Susan at the rate of 8% per annum. He repaid the amount after two years. How much did he repay?

- A. \$640 B. \$6,640
C. \$4,640 D. \$3,360

Question 3

Tracy put \$3,500 into an investment yielding 4.5% annual interest. She left the money in for 8 years. How much interest does she get in those 8 years?

- A. \$1,260 B. \$4,760
C. \$2,240 D. \$1,860

Question 4

Anna invested \$2,500 at an annual rate of 5%. How long will it take until Anna earns \$1,125 in interest?

- A. 5 years B. 8 years
C. 10 years D. 9 years

Question 5

Jerry invested \$1500 in an account that paid him 8.25% simple interest, what will the balance of his account be after 6 years?

- A. \$742.50 B. \$2242.50
C. \$2150 D. \$3256.55

Question 6

Mr. Peterson wrote a check of \$7,820 to pay off a loan, which was given to him at a rate of 5% simple interest for 3 years. How much money did he borrow originally?

- A. \$5,400 B. \$6,800
C. \$3,240 D. \$14,620

Question 7

If \$3,840 is invested in an account at 5% annual simple interest, how long will it take the account balance to grow to \$4,800?

- A. 12 years B. 6 years
C. 5 years D. 8 years

Question 8

Principal (p) = 1500, Rate (r) = 7%, Time (t) = 8 years. Calculate the Interest.

- A. \$840 B. \$1200
C. \$2,340 D. \$660

Question 9

Jack deposited \$1400 in his bank account. After 3 years, the account is worth \$1,694. Find the simple interest rate the account earned.

- A. 5% B. 8%
C. 7.25% D. 7%

Question 10

Principal = 360, Interest = \$17.55, Time = 9 months. Calculate the Interest Rate.

- A. 6% B. 7.65%
C. 6.5% D. 5.5%

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Answers: 1) D 2) C 3) A 4) D 5) B 6) B 7) C 8) A
9) D 10) C

Problem solving with compound interest

Working with Powers,
Exponents, and
Polynomials

To find compound interest over a course of several years, use the formula:

$A = P(1 + r)^t$, where A is the balance, P is the principal, r is the annual interest rate, and t is the number of years.

Find the balance after 5 years if \$1000 is deposited into an account that pays 5% annual interest compounded yearly.

$$A = P(1 + r)^t$$

$$A = 1000(1 + 0.05)^5$$

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$$A = \$1,276.28$$

Use the compound interest formula.

Substitute the given values for each variable.

Use a calculator to solve.

Round balance to the nearest cent.

Thus, the balance after 5 years is \$1,276.28.

Solve each problem for its unknown. Round to the nearest cent.

1. A principal of \$150 is deposited in an account that pays 8% interest compounded yearly. Find the balance of the account after 3 years.
2. How much should you deposit into an account that pays 6% interest compounded yearly to have a balance of \$900 after 5 years?
3. \$1,500 is deposited into an account that pays 6.5% interest compounded yearly. What is the balance after 4 years?
4. How much do you need to deposit into your account that pays 7% interest compounded yearly to have a balance of \$2,500 after 8 years?
5. John's bonus this quarter was for \$1,250. If he put it into an account that pays 8% interest compounded yearly, what would his balance be after 3 years? Is this more or less than a balance after 5 years if he put it into an account that pays 5% interest compounded yearly? What is the difference?

6. $500(1.08)^2 = 588.16$ (1)