

Banking

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1. Investing Money = earning interest

Interest = amount of \$ earned from depositing money into a saving account or investing it in a portfolio, bonds, certified deposits, ...

Simple Interest = interest is calculated from the amount invested at the very beginning, this amount is called the principle.

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I = interest [\$]

P = principle = opening balance [\$]

r = interest rate [decimal]

t = time [years]

Remember to divide the interest rate % by 100 to turn it into a decimal.

Example 1: Calculate the interest and the final balance on a saving account that gives 4.5% annual interest rate given that the opening balance on the account is \$ 2000.00 and is deposited for 6 years.

Example 2: Find the final balance on a saving account that offers 3.8% interest rate.

A) \$ 5000.00 is deposited for 4 years.

B) \$ 12 000.00 is deposited for 6 months.

C) \$ 2000.00 is deposited for 8 months.

2. Borrowing Money = paying interest. Interest is the cost of borrowing.

Payday Loans = short-term loans with a very high interest rate

Example:

Amount borrowed: \$500.00

Borrowing fee: \$32.00 per \$100.00 borrowed

Length of borrowing period: 3 weeks

A) Determine the interest charged:

B) Determine the annual interest rate:

C) Find the total to be paid back at the end of the borrowing period:

Borrowing from a bank:

Amount borrowed: \$500.00

Interest rate: 8.2% (this is an annual rate)

Length of borrowing period: 3 weeks

A) Determine the interest charged:

B) Determine the annual interest rate:

C) Find the total to be paid back at the end of the borrowing period: