

Simple Interest Calculations

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Formula to Remember:

$$I = P \times R \times T$$

Where: **I** = Interest, **P** = Principal (starting amount), **R** = Rate (as a decimal), **T** = Time (in years)

Total Amount = Principal + Interest

Part A: Calculate the Simple Interest

Show your working out for each question.

1. Sarah deposits \$500 in a savings account that earns 4% interest per year. How much interest will she earn after 3 years?

Working: _____

Interest = \$ _____

2. A loan of \$2,000 has an interest rate of 6% per year. Calculate the interest charged after 2 years.

Working: _____

Interest = \$ _____

3. Ben invests \$1,200 at 5% per year for 4 years. How much interest does he earn?

Working: _____

Interest = \$ _____

Part B: Calculate the Total Amount

Find the interest first, then add it to the principal to find the total amount.

4. Mia borrows \$800 at 7% interest per year for 3 years. What is the total amount she must repay?

Interest: _____

Total Amount = \$ _____

5. A savings account has \$1,500 invested at 3% per year for 5 years. What will be the total amount in the account?

Interest: _____

Total Amount = \$ _____

Part C: Challenge Questions

6. Tom wants to earn \$180 in interest. He has \$1,500 to invest at 6% per year. How many years must he invest for?

Working: _____

Time = _____ years

7. A loan of \$2,500 at 8% per year accumulates \$600 in interest. For how long was the money borrowed?

Working: _____

Time = _____ years