## Financial Math Chapter 1: Investing Money

### 1.1 Simple Interest

Some definitions to get us started...
term: the contracted duration of an investment or loan
interest: the amount of money earned on an investment or paid on a loan.
fixed interest rate: an interest rate that is guaranteed not to change during the term of an investment or lean
principal: the original amount of money invested or loaned
5. simple interest: the amount of interest earned on an investment or paid on a loan based on the original amount only (principal) and the simple interest rate... interest is paid out annually, semi-annually, quarterly, monthly, etc...
6. maturity: the contracted end date of an investment or loan, the end of the term
7. GIC: Guaranteed Investment Certificate... a low-risk type of investment that guarantees a certain interest rate so long as the money is invested for the duration of the pre-determined term... essentially, you are lending money to a financial institution
8. Bond: similar to a GIC except that you are lending your money to a government or corporation
9. Stock: by buying a stock, you are actually buying a very small portion of a company... when the company's value increases, so does the value of your stock
10. Mutual Fund: a collection of investments (stocks, bonds, GICs) that are chosen by investment professionals
11. Future Value: the amount, A , that an investment will be worth after a specific period of time
12. Rate of Return: the ratio of money earned (or lost) on an investment relative to the amount of money invested, usually represented as a percent
13. Down Payment: An initial amount of money that is put toward the purchase of an item... the rest is financed (borrowed)

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$\square$ Marty invested in a $\$ 2500$ guaranteed investment certificate (GIC) at $2.5 \%$ simple interest, paid annually, with a term of 10 years.

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 investment?$$
2.5 \%_{b}
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c) Use Marty's investment oo write an algebraic expression that could be
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used to determine the fytrure value of any investment earning
interest.
a) $I=\left(2500^{\$}\right)(0.025)(10) \quad$ b) $F V=P+I$
C) $F V=2500+62.5 t$
$=\$ 625$
$=3125^{\$}$

EXAMPLE 2 Representing the growth of a simple interest investment

Sunni invested $\$ 15000$ in a savings account. Sunni earned a simple interest rate of $8 \%$, paid semi-annually on her investment. She intends to hold the investment for 4.5 years, when she will withdraw all the money to buy a car. Determine the value of the investment at each

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { half year until she withdraws the money. } \frac{1}{2} \text { year as } \\
& \begin{array}{l}
P=15000 \\
i=8 \%=0.08
\end{array} \\
& \begin{aligned}
I & =\operatorname{Prt} \\
& =(15000)(0.08)(0.5) \\
& =600 \$
\end{aligned} \\
& \begin{aligned}
& \text { ofter } 0.5 y^{r s}=15600 \\
& 1 \text { yr }=16200 \quad 060 \\
& x_{0}
\end{aligned} \\
& 4.5 \mathrm{yr}=20400
\end{aligned}
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## EXAMPLE 3 Determining the duration of a simple interest investment

Ingrid invested her summer earnings of $\$ 5000$ at $8 \%$ simple interest, paid annually. She intends to use the money in a few years to take a holiday with a girlfriend.

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a) How long will it take for the future value of the investment to grow to $\$ 8000$ ?

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\text { b) What is Ingrid's rate of return? } \quad \begin{aligned}
\text { a) } \left.\begin{array}{rl}
P & =5000 \\
r & =8 \%=0.08 \\
I & =8000-5000=3000 \\
t & =?
\end{array}\right\} \begin{aligned}
\frac{3000}{5000}=\frac{5000)(0.08) t}{(5000)(0.08} \\
(7.5=t
\end{aligned} \\
\text { She must wait } 8 \text { yrs } \\
\text { since intereyt is peid ammally }
\end{aligned}
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## EXAMPLE 4 Determining the rate of interest on a simple interest investment

Grant invested \$25000 in a simple interest Canada Savings Bond (CSB) that paid interest annually.
a) If the future value of the CSB is $\$ 29375$ at the end of 5 years, what interest rate does the CSB earn?
b) Grant cashed in the bond after 4.5 years because a house he had been admiring came up for sale and he needed a down payment. How much

How would the interest rate change in each situation? Explain. $=28500$ for his
a) If Grant invested principal of $\$ 20000$ instead, and the CSB grew to down pmt, $\$ 29375$ in 5 years
b) If it took 8 years for Grant's principal of $\$ 25000$ to grow to $\$ 29375$
a) $\left.\left.\begin{array}{rl}P & =20000 \\ I & =9375 \\ t & =5\end{array}\right\} \begin{array}{c}9375-2000(5) \\ r\end{array}\right)$
b) $\left.\begin{array}{rl}P & =25000 \\ I & =4375\end{array}\right) r=2.1875 \%$ $\left.\begin{array}{l}t=5 \\ r=?\end{array}\right\} \begin{gathered}r=0.09375 \\ r=9.375 \%\end{gathered}$
$t=8$

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