

# Simple or Compound Interest MATCH Game



**STANDARD:** TEKS 8.12(D): Calculate and compare simple and compound interest earnings.

**PLAYERS:** 2-4, **BEST PLAYED WITH PARTNERS**

**MATERIALS:** 1 set of match cards  
Answer Key  
Recording Sheet  
Passport

**DIRECTIONS:**

\*\*\*OBJECT OF THE GAME IS TO COMPLETE AS MANY SETS OF **FOUR CARDS** AS POSSIBLE\*\*\*

1. Determine if your group is going to play with partners or by themselves.
2. Turn all cards face down in the middle of the players.
3. Turn over 2 cards at a time, trying to match the cards.
4. If a match is made, the players keep the matched cards.
5. **LEAVE UNMATCHED CARDS FACE UP SO OTHERS MAY MATCH WITH THEM.**
6. Play continues with another player/pair when no match is made.
7. When a match of two cards is made, then the two cards may be set in front of the pair. They must **FIND THE THIRD AND FOURTH CARDS**. A complete match isn't made until **ALL FOUR CARDS** are found.
8. If a player turns over a card that matches another pair's 2-card set, they may "steal" the pair's cards and keep the complete match.

**CHALLENGE:** Time how long it takes you to match **ALL** cards, then try to beat that time.

A fireman invests \$40,000 in a retirement account with a simple interest rate of 6% for 10 years.

**\$40,000  
PRINCIPAL**

$$I = Prt$$

**6%  
INTEREST**

A teacher invests \$40,000 in a retirement account with a compounded interest rate of 6% for 10 years.

**\$40,000  
PRINCIPAL**

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

**6%  
INTEREST**

Iman inherited \$8,000 and saved it in an account earning 8.7% simple interest. How much will there be in 5 years?

**\$8,000  
PRINCIPAL**

$$I = Prt$$

**6%  
INTEREST**

Tisha invests \$2,000 in a savings account with a compounded interest rate of 4.2% for 4 years.

**\$2,000  
PRINCIPAL**

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

**4.2%  
INTEREST**

Todd deposited \$1,600 in an account that earns 7% simple interest over 2 years.

**\$1.600**  
**PRINCIPAL**

$$I = Prt$$

**7%**  
**INTEREST**

Mia deposited \$1,600 in an account that earns 7% compounded interest over 2 years.

**\$1,600**  
**PRINCIPAL**

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

**7%**  
**INTEREST**

Selena deposited  
\$1,000 in an  
account that earns  
5% simple interest  
for a year.

**\$1,000**  
**PRINCIPAL**

$$I = Prt$$

**5%**  
**INTEREST**

Mandi left \$673 in a  
savings account that  
has compounded  
interest of 6.8% for  
a year.

**\$673**  
**PRINCIPAL**

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

**6.8%**  
**INTEREST**

Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Simple or Compound MATCH Game, **RECORDING SHEET**

Find the interest earned in each situation and the ending total amount. Show your work.

Todd deposited \$1,600 in an account that earns 7% simple interest over 2 years.

Mia deposited \$1,600 in an account that earns 7% annually compounded interest over 2 years.

Who made the best investment? Todd or Mia? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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A fireman invests \$40,000 in a retirement account with a simple interest rate of 6% for 10 years. How much retirement does he have now?

A teacher invests \$40,000 in a retirement account with an annual compounded interest rate of 6% for 10 years. How much retirement does he have now?

Who made the best investment? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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Name

### Simple or Compound Interest MATCH Game

In the problem below, which formula from the STAAR

REFERENCE MATERIALS will you use to find the answer? Why?

Write your response in complete sentences, then use the formula to solve the problem. Show your work, please.

A customer will borrow \$12,000 to buy a car. Which loan option would allow the customer to pay the least amount of interest?

- F** A 4-year loan with a 5.2% annual simple interest rate
- G** A 5-year loan with a 4.2% annual simple interest rate
- H** A 6-year loan with a 4.7% annual simple interest rate
- J** A 3-year loan with an 8.4% annual simple interest rate

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Circle the correct solution. Show your work next to the problem.  
Explain why the other answer choices could not be correct.

Ben deposits \$1,750 into each of two savings accounts.

- Account I earns 2.75% annual simple interest.
- Account II earns 2.75% interest compounded annually.

Ben does not make any additional deposits or withdrawals. Which amount is closest to the difference between the interest Ben will earn in Account I and the interest Ben will earn in Account II at the end of 2 years?

- A** \$96.25
- B** \$1.32
- C** \$97.57
- D** \$193.82

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## Simple interest

$$I = p \times r \times t$$

## Compound interest

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

$I$  = interest earned after  $t$  years

$p$  = money borrowed or invested

$r$  = annual interest rate

$t$  = the length of time you borrow  
or invest

$A$  = accumulated amount

# STAAR GRADE 8 MATHEMATICS REFERENCE MATERIALS



Slope-intercept form	$y = mx + b$
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Direct variation	$y = kx$
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Slope of a line	$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
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## CIRCUMFERENCE

Circle	$C = 2\pi r$	or	$C = \pi d$
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## AREA

Triangle	$A = \frac{1}{2}bh$
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Rectangle or parallelogram	$A = bh$
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Trapezoid	$A = \frac{1}{2}(b_1 + b_2)h$
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Circle	$A = \pi r^2$
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## SURFACE AREA

	Lateral	Total
Prism	$S = Ph$	$S = Ph + 2B$
Cylinder	$S = 2\pi rh$	$S = 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2$

## VOLUME

Prism or cylinder	$V = Bh$
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Pyramid or cone	$V = \frac{1}{3}Bh$
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Sphere	$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$
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Pythagorean theorem	$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
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Simple interest	$I = Prt$
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Compound interest	$A = P(1 + r)^t$
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