Time to Pay Up: Worksheet Answer Key

APR & Minimum Payment

Calculate the APR and Minimum Payments for each of the following Credit Cards. When calculating the minimum payment determine the cost before and after APR is applied.

Card A: APR 10.8%; Minimum Payment 2%; Balance: \$3,500

APR: 10.8% of \$3,500 = .108 x 3500 = \$378

Minimum Payment: 2% of \$3,500 = .02 x 3500 = \$70

.108 x 35000 = \$378

378 ÷ 12 = \$31.50

3500 + 31.50 = \$3,531.50

.02 x 3531.50 = *\$70.63*

Card B: APR 15%; Minimum Payment 3%; Balance: \$5,320

APR: 15% of \$5,320 = .15 x 5320 = \$798

Minimum Payment: 3% of \$5,320 = .03 x 5320 = \$159.60

.15 x 5320 = \$798

798 ÷ 12 = \$66.50

5320 + 66.50 = \$5,386.50

.03 x 5386.5 = *\$161.60*

Card C: APR 7.8%; Minimum Payment 2%; Balance: \$4,000

APR: 7.8% of \$4,000 = .078 x 4000 = *\$312*

Minimum Payment: 2% of \$4,000 = .02 x 4000 = \$80

.078 x 4000 = \$312 312 ÷ 12 = \$26 4000 + 26 = \$4,026 .02 x 4026 = *\$80.52*

Date: _____

Card D: APR 19.5%; Minimum Payment 4%; Balance: \$7,600

APR: 19.5% of \$7,600 = .195 x 7600 = *\$1,482*

Minimum Payment: 4% of \$7,600 = .04 x 7600 = \$304

.195 x 7600 = \$1,482

1482 ÷ 12 = \$123.50

123.50 + 7600 = \$7, 723.50

.04 x 7723.50 = *\$308.94*

Card E: APR 15.9%; Minimum Payment 2%; Balance: \$12,000

APR: 15.9% of \$12,000 = .159 x 12000 = *\$1,908*

Minimum Payment: 2% of \$12,000 = .02 x 1200 = \$240 .159 x 1200 = \$1,908 1908 ÷ 12 = \$159 159 + 12000 = \$12,159 .02 x 12159 = \$243.18

Calculating your Balance

You've just attained a credit card! Based on the following scenarios, make calculations for minimum payment, credit limit, and balance.

Scenario 1:

APR: 16.5%; Minimum Payment 3%; Credit Limit \$10,000

Month 1:

You Spend: **\$4,000**

Current Balance: \$4,000

Credit Limit: \$6,000

Month 2:

Calculate: Minimum Payment: **3% of \$4,000 = .03 x 4000 = \$120**

Date: _____

Credit Limit: **\$6,120** Current Balance: **\$3,880** You Spend: **\$120**

At the end of this month, what will be your new balance?

(3,880 + 120) + 16.5%

4,000 + 16.5% [4000 x .165 = 660]

4,000 + 660 = \$4,660

Scenario 2:

APR 10%; Minimum Payment 2%; Credit Limit \$8,000

Month 1:

You Spend: **\$5,745**

Current Balance: \$5,745

Credit Limit: \$2,255

Month 2:

Calculate: Minimum Payment: 2% of \$8,000 = .02 x 8000 = \$160

Credit Limit: \$2,415

Current Balance: 7,840

You Spend: **\$600**

At the end of this month, what will be your new balance?

(7,840 + 600) + 10%

8,440 + 10% [8440 x .10 = 844]

844 + 8440 = *\$9,284*