

ST. JEAN DE BREBEUF MATHEMATICS



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KEY CONCEPTS

The **Present Value** is used to calculate the *Principal* amount for any loan or investment

When dealing with word problems, there are several “buzz words” that indicate that the *Present Value* formula should be used to solve it. Words include:

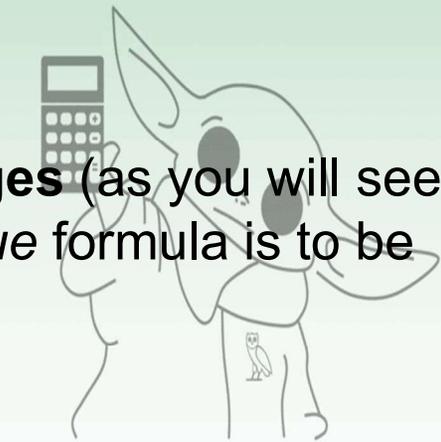
“**Today**”

“**Immediately**”

“**Right away/right now**”

“**Discount**”

*** Also, any problems dealing with **loans** and **mortgages** (as you will see more of in Grade 12) also indicate that the *Present Value* formula is to be used



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FORMULA

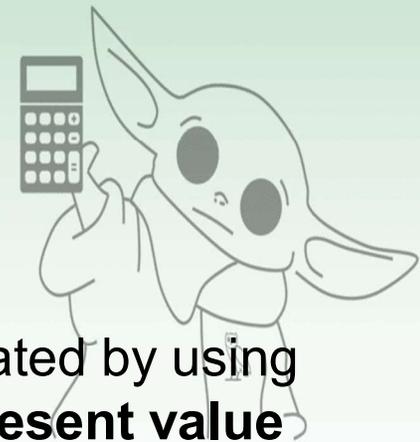
$$P = A(1 + i)^{-n}$$

P = Principal amount (or *Present Value*)
 A = Final amount (or *Future Value*)

i = Interest rate *per compounding period*, where

$$i = \frac{r}{N} \quad \text{or} \quad i = \frac{\text{Interest rate per year}}{\text{\# of compounding periods per year}}$$

n = Total # of compounding periods
where $n = yN$ or
 $n = \# \text{ of years} \times \# \text{ of compounding periods per year}$



Interest or savings from a present value can be calculated by using
Interest/Savings = Final amount – Present value
or **$I = A - P$**

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EXAMPLE 1 Investments

Chantelle is a Grade 9 student aspiring to be a doctor. She wants to invest enough money today to have **\$5000** for first-year tuition when she goes to university in **four years**. If she invests her money at **6%** per year, **compounded monthly**, how much does she need to invest today?



$$A = 5000$$

$$\begin{aligned} &6 / 100 \\ &= 0.06 \end{aligned}$$

$$i = r / N$$

$$= 0.06 / 12$$

$$= 0.005$$

Represents *monthly* compounding

$$n = yN$$

$$= 4(12)$$

$$= 48$$

$$P = A(1+i)^{-n}$$

$$P = 5000(1+0.005)^{-48}$$

$$P = 5000(1.005)^{-48}$$

$$P = \$3935.49$$

Chantelle needs to invest **\$3935.49** today in order to have \$5000 in four years.

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EXAMPLE 2 Discounted Price



Jonas purchased a laptop from *Best Buy* valued at **\$1700** and the payment plan offered consists of regular payments for **three years**. The retailer is willing to discount the price of the computer at an interest rate of **8%** per year, **compounded semi-annually** if Jonas pays for it today.

$$\frac{8}{100} \\ = 0.08$$

(a) **How much** will the retailer be willing to accept today?

$$A = 1700$$

$$i = r / N$$

$$= 0.08 / 2$$

$$= 0.04$$

Represents *semi-annual* compounding

$$n = yN$$

$$= 3(2)$$

$$= 6$$

$$P = A(1 + i)^{-n}$$

$$P = 1700(1 + 0.04)^{-6}$$

$$P = 1700(1.04)^{-6}$$

$$P = \$1343.53$$

The retailer will accept **\$1343.53** if Jonas pays for it today (this is a **discounted price**)



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(b) How much **interest** is Jonas *saving* by paying for it right now?

$$I = A - P$$

$$I = 1700 - 1343.53$$

$$I = \$356.47$$

Jonas will be saving **\$356.47** if he pays for the computer right now.



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Homework:



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