



Math Virtual Learning

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Objective/Learning Target: Students will be able to solve real world problems using logarithmic equations



Warm Up Activity:

Practice the problems at the link to refresh your skills on solving exponential equations.

[Skill Practice](#)

Lesson:

Watch the video over logarithmic word problems examples. We encourage you to have your own sheet of paper out and work along with the video.

(assume that only interest is added to the account.)

$$V = C(1+r)^t$$

$C = \text{initial}$
 $r = \text{rate}$
 $t = \text{years}$

$$3000 = 1500(1+.05)^t$$

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$C = 1500$
 $r = 5\%$
 $t = ?$
 $V = 3000$

$$\frac{3000}{1500} = \frac{1500}{1500}(1.05)^t$$

$$2 = (1.05)^t$$

1. Zack pays a \$710 premium for insurance. If the premium increases at a semi-annual rate of 9.2% , how many years will it take for the premium to be \$873.30?

Practice:

2. Ted bought a savings bond for \$4,210. If he cashes the bond after four years, he'd get \$5559.83. The interest on the bond is compounded annually, what is the interest rate on the bond?



Practice Problems:

3. How many years will take a town's population to double if the growth rate remains constant at rate of ten percent per year?
4. How much interest Brad has to pay to George if he borrowed \$120, 14 months ago at the rate of 12.4% per annum?

Also look at problems 2-4 [here](#)



Practice Answers:

1. 5 years
2. 7.2%
3. 1 year 8 months
4. \$17.36



Additional Practice: Links for Problems [#39](#) & [#46](#)

39. What principal should be deposited at 8.375% compounded monthly to ensure the account will be worth \$20,000 in 10 years?

a. \$10,884.35

c. \$5,141.21

b. \$8,681.04

d. \$6,097.12

46. Determine the principle that must be invested at a rate of 9% compounded monthly so that the balance in 20 years will be \$35,000.

a. \$12,500.00

b. \$9,470.00

c. \$6914.23

d. \$5,824.45



Additional Practice Answers:

39) B

46) D

Answers linked to Answer Key