



EXAM PAPERS PRACTICE

Exponential Growth

Question Paper



Question 1

Alex invests \$200 for 2 years at a rate of 2% per year simple interest.

Chris invests \$200 for 2 years at a rate of 2% per year compound interest.

Calculate how much more interest Chris has than Alex.

[4]

Question 2

The population of Olton is decreasing at a rate of 3% per year.

In 2013, the population was 50000.

Calculate the population after 4 years.

Give your answer correct to the nearest hundred.

[3]



Question 3

The value of a motorbike is \$12 400.
Each year, the value of the motorbike decreases exponentially by 15%.

Calculate the value of the motorbike after 3 years.

[2]

Question 4

Maryah borrows \$12 000 to start a business.
The loan is for 3 years at a rate of 5% per year compound interest.
The loan has to be paid back at the end of the 3 years.

Calculate the total amount to be paid back.

[3]



Question 5

Bruce invested \$420 at a rate of 4% per year compound interest.

Calculate the **total** amount Bruce has after 2 years.

Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

[3]

Question 6

Carol invests \$6250 at a rate of 2% per year compound interest.

Calculate the **total** amount Carol has after 3 years.

[3]



Question 7

Acri invested \$500 for 3 years at a rate of 2.8% per year compound interest.

Calculate the final amount he has after 3 years.

[3]

Question 8

Pedro invested \$800 at a rate of 5% per year compound interest.

Calculate the total amount he has after 2 years.

[2]



Question 9

Eva invests \$120 at a rate of 3% per year compound interest.

Calculate the total amount Eva has after 2 years.

Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

[3]

Question 10

Johan invested \$600 for 3 years at 4% per year **compound** interest.

Calculate the final amount he had after three years.

[3]



Question 11

Nikhil invests \$200 for 2 years at 4% per year **compound** interest.
Calculate the **exact** amount Nikhil has after 2 years.

[2]



Question 12

NORTH EASTERN BANK
SAVINGS ACCOUNT

5%

Per Year
Simple Interest

SOUTH WESTERN BANK
SAVINGS ACCOUNT

4.9%

Per Year
Compound Interest

Kalid and his brother have \$2000 each to invest for 3 years.

- (a) North Eastern Bank advertises savings with simple interest at 5% per year.
Kalid invests his money in this bank.
How much money will he have at the end of 3 years?

[2]

- (b) South Western Bank advertises savings with compound interest at 4.9% per year.
Kalid's brother invests his money in this bank.
At the end of 3 years, how much more money will he have than Kalid?

[3]



Question 13

Marcel invests \$2500 for 3 years at a rate of 1.6% per year simple interest.
Jacques invests \$2000 for 3 years at a rate of $x\%$ per year compound interest.
At the end of the 3 years Marcel and Jacques receive the same amount of interest.

Calculate the value of x correct to 3 significant figures.

[5]

Question 14

The population of the world grows exponentially at a rate of 1.1% per year.

Find the number of years it takes for the population to grow from 7 billion to 7.31 billion.
Give your answer correct to the nearest whole number.

[2]



Question 15

It is estimated that the world's population is growing at a rate of 1.14% per year. On January 1st 2014 the population was 7.23 billion.

(a) Find the expected population on January 1st 2020. [2]

(b) Find the year when the population is expected to reach 10 billion. [2]



Question 16

At the start of an experiment there are 20000 bacteria.
The number of bacteria increases at a rate of 30% per hour.

(a) Work out the number of bacteria after 4 hours. [2]

(b) After how many **whole** hours, from the start of the experiment, will the number of bacteria be greater than one million?

[2]



Question 17

Boris invests \$280 for 2 years at a rate of 3% per year compound interest.

Calculate the interest Boris receives at the end of the 2 years.

Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

[4]

Question 18

Zainab borrows \$198 from a bank to pay for a new bed.

The bank charges compound interest at 1.9 % per month.

Calculate how much **interest** she owes at the end of 3 months.

Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

[3]