

## 4.1 Intro to Credit

Student Activity Packet
UNIT: TYPES OF CREDIT

## Name:

# Students will be able to:

- Identify the major types of credit and their characteristics
- Understand the three basic components of lines of credit: principal, interest rate, and term
- Define net worth and how it is calculated

NOTE: Vocabulary for this unit can be found in the NGPF Personal Finance Dictionary



#### **PROMPT**

Use the space below to answer the prompt.

- 1. Reflect on a time where you borrowed from or lent money to someone.
  - a. Who did the loan involve?
  - b. What was the agreement for repayment?
  - c. Did the agreement work out the way you anticipated?
  - d. Were both people happy at the end?



## **EDPUZZLE: Loan Basics**

Perhaps you've casually lent or borrowed money from a friend before. But more formal loan arrangements from a financial institution come with far more terms you must understand in order to get a fair deal. Watch this video and follow your teacher's directions to answer the questions either in your student activity packet or within the EdPuzzle itself.

- 1. The details of any loan will include the following 3 components:
  - a. The principal, the interest rate, and the loan term
  - b. The money you pay, the money the lender pays, and the principal
  - c. The mortgage, the auto loan, and the small business loan
  - d. The loan amount, the credit card payment, and the statement

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# 2. Why are secured loans considered less risky to the lender?

- a. Lenders are allowed to conduct background checks for secured loans
- b. Lenders can take valuable collateral if you fail to repay your loan
- c. Lenders give secured loans all the time, so they're more comfortable doing them
- d. Lenders can check your credit score before giving a secured loan, which they can't do for an unsecured loan

# 3. Having a good credit score, making a larger down payment, and finding a cosigner with good credit are all ways to...

- a. Decrease your principal
- b. Decrease your interest rate
- c. Increase your term
- d. Increase your total payments

## 4. Each of these statements describes a variable rate loan EXCEPT...

- a. Typically starts with a lower interest rate than a fixed rate loan
- b. Is riskier to the borrower because the interest rate could increase substantially
- c. Is almost always a better option
- d. Can increase or decrease the interest rate over the course of the loan



#### **ACTIVITY: MOVE: Credit Musical Chairs**

The previous video discussed loans, but there's another type of credit you've likely heard of – credit cards. This activity will allow you to dive in deeper to categorize some of the most popular forms of credit. Follow your teacher's directions to complete this activity.



## **INFOGRAPHIC:** What's My Net Worth?

Many people think that being wealthy means you have a lot of stuff; however, it turns out that what you own is only <u>part</u> of the equation for determining your net worth. Review this infographic to see how wealth or net worth (often used as synonyms) is calculated. Then answer the questions below.



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1. Your friends and you notice a neighbor who always has brand new clothes, shoes, and electronics. What would you need to know in order to tell if this neighbor is actually wealthy?

- 2. There's not one target net worth value that is universally considered to be "rich" or "wealthy." But right now, Sanya's net worth is \$12,000. Her goal is to have a net worth of at least \$100,000 before she turns 35.
  - a. Explain one way that using credit could help Sanya achieve her goal.
  - b. Explain one way that using credit could <u>hurt</u> Sanya's progress.



Follow your teacher's directions to complete the Exit Ticket.