

**NOW YOU TRY STUDENT WORKSHEET  
MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**ANNUAL INTEREST**

1. Andrea wants to invest **\$2,000** at her bank. She picks an annual **certificate of deposit (CD)** that will pay her **3%** annually. (Remember, 3% interest is .03 when written as a decimal.)

- A. How much **interest** will Andrea earn for the year?

$$\text{Interest} = \$2,000 \times .03 = \$60$$

- B. What will Andrea's **balance** be when the certificate of deposit ends?

$$\text{Balance} = \$2,000 + \$60 = \$2,060$$

2. Now, if Andrea decides to leave her money in the bank for three years:

- A. What is the **term** of Andrea's **CD**?

**Three years**

- B. Fill in the table to find out how Andrea's investment grows:

	Beginning Balance	3% Interest	Ending Balance
Year 1	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>\$2,060</b>
Year 2	<b>\$2,060</b>	<b>\$61.80</b>	<b>\$2,161.80</b>
Year 3	<b>\$2,161.80</b>	<b>\$63.65</b>	<b>\$2,225.45</b>

**ANNUAL vs. QUARTERLY INTEREST**

1. Andrea wants to invest **\$2,000** at her bank. She decides to open a **statement savings account**, compounding quarterly, instead of an **annual CD**. This **statement savings account** will pay her a **3% APR**. (Remember, 3% interest is .03 when written as a decimal.)

- A. How often does Andrea's account compound?

**Quarterly – four times**

- B. What will Andrea's 1<sup>st</sup> quarter **interest** payment be?

$$\text{Interest} = (\$2,000 \times .03) / 4 = \$15$$

- C. What will Andrea's **balance** be when the year is over?

	Beginning Balance	3% Interest	Ending Balance
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<b>\$2,015</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	<b>\$2,015</b>	<b>\$15.11</b>	<b>\$2,030.11</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	<b>\$2,030.11</b>	<b>\$15.23</b>	<b>\$2,045.34</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	<b>\$2,045.34</b>	<b>\$15.34</b>	<b>\$2,060.68</b>

- D. What **APY** will Andrea's statement savings account earn her for the year?

$$APY = \frac{\$60.68}{\$2,000} = .03034 = 3.034\%$$

**QUARTERLY vs. MONTHLY INTEREST**

1. Andrea wants to invest **\$2,000** at her bank. She decides to open a **money market savings account**, compounding monthly, instead of a **statement savings account**. This money market savings account will pay her a **3% APR**. (Remember, 3% interest is .03 when written as a decimal.)

	Beginning Balance	3% Interest	Ending Balance
1 <sup>st</sup> Month	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$5</b>	<b>\$2,005</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	<b>\$2,005</b>	<b>\$5.01</b>	<b>\$2,010.01</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Month	<b>\$2,010.01</b>	<b>\$5.03</b>	<b>\$2,015.04</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,015.04</b>	<b>\$5.04</b>	<b>\$2,020.08</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,020.08</b>	<b>\$5.05</b>	<b>\$2,025.13</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,025.13</b>	<b>\$5.06</b>	<b>\$2,030.19</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,030.19</b>	<b>\$5.08</b>	<b>\$2,035.27</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,035.27</b>	<b>\$5.09</b>	<b>\$2,040.36</b>
9 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,040.36</b>	<b>\$5.10</b>	<b>\$2,045.46</b>
10 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,045.46</b>	<b>\$5.11</b>	<b>\$2,050.57</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,050.57</b>	<b>\$5.13</b>	<b>\$2,055.70</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> Month	<b>\$2,055.70</b>	<b>\$5.14</b>	<b>\$2,060.84</b>

- A. What **APY** will Andrea's money market savings account earn her for the year?

$$APY = \frac{\$60.84}{\$2,000} = .03042 = 3.042\%$$