Money Management: Borrowing

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Welcome Back!!!

- Let's start with daily activities
 - Logon
 - Open Worklog (Word)
 - Set up and write any opening thoughts
 - Open Spending spreadsheet (excel)
 - Enter spending
 - Summary of yesterday
 - Questions???

Schedule for Today

- Arrival to 12:30
 - Analyze credit card fine print
 - Analyze credit card offer
- 12:30 to 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 to 1:30 Maria Break
- 1:30 to 2:30 Credit Card Spread Sheet
- 2:30 to 3:00 Evaluation and Wrap-Up

Putting it all together to read a statement

- To understand it you need to be able to compute all of the numbers
 - Statement handouts (3)
 - New laws
 - Read the statement
 - Read the fine print on the back
 - What is interest charged on?

Fine Print

- Balance Transfer
 - No grace period
- Cash Advance
 - No grace period
- Charges (purchases)
 - Let's figure out the grace period

- Depends on
 - Last period
 - This period
- Paid in full by due date
- Paid in full during current cycle
- Not paid in full
 - Less
 - Minimum
 - Really not paid





- IF
 - Pay current new balance in full
 - Paid previous balance in full during current cycle
- THEN
 - Grace period on current new balance

- IF
 - Don't pay current balance in full
 - Did pay previous balance in full by its due date
- THEN
 - Grace period on part of balance you pay
 - Using their allocation method

- Their Allocation method
 - You paid ones with least interest first
- Moral:
 - Much easier if you pay it off every month
 - Make sure that it comes with a grace period that allows this

Stepping back for a minute

- When is an offer too good to be true?
 - Smell test
 - How to check it out
- Security (especially with the internet)
- Why are they doing it?
- How do they make money?
- Should we buy the protection plan?

Identity Theft

- What is it?
- How can you prevent it?
- Be very careful about:
 - SSN
 - Date of Birth
 - Account Numbers
 - PINs and passwords
 - Drivers license number
 - Mother's maiden name



Maria Break

- Mentoring
 - How many?
 - No one can meet all of your needs
 - Find your own mentors
 - Don't be passive
 - Don't be a pain
 - When you know what your passion/career is
 - Find someone who is doing it successfully
 - Ask them how they did it
 - Better yet, find more people and ask them

Newspaper Break

- Modesto Bee
 - Work and Money
 - SF Chronicle
 - Business Report
- NPR Market Place at 6:30 pm 91.3 FM
- Car ads

Examples and Practice

Independent Practice Handout

- Create a spread sheet with columns:
 - Month
 - Beginning Balance
 - Minimum Payment
 - Interest rate (decimal notation)
 - Interest Paid
 - Principal Paid
 - Ending Balance



Month

- Start with 1 in first A2
- In A3 use formula

• =A2+1

- Copy formula in cell A3
- Paste it into cells A4 A50



Beginning Balance

• In cell B2 enter 325

• = G2

- In cell B3 enter the formula
 - Ending balance of previous month
- Copy formula in cell B3
- Paste it into cells B4 B50

Minimum Payment

- In cell C2 enter the formula
 - =IF(PRODUCT(B2, 0.035)>10,PRODUCT(B2, 0.035),10)
 - If 3.25% of the beginning balance is more than \$10 pay that amount, otherwise pay \$10
- Copy formula in cell C2
- Paste it into cells C3 C50



Interest Rate

- In cell D2 enter the formula
 - =PRODUCT(0.22,1/12)
 - Interest rate in decimal notation divided by 12 months
- Copy formula in cell D2
- Paste it into cells D3 D50



Interest Paid

- In cell E2 enter the formula
 - =PRODUCT(B2,D2)
 - Beginning balance times interest rate
- Copy formula in cell E2
- Paste it into cells E3 E50

Principal Paid

- In cell F2 enter the formula
 - =SUM(C2,-E2)
 - Payment minus interest portion
- Copy formula in cell F2
- Paste it into cells F3 F50



Ending Balance

• In cell G2 enter the formula

• =B2-F2

- Beginning balance principal paid
- Copy formula in cell G2
- Paste it into cells G3 G50

Formatting

- For all of the columns except A and D
 - We want it formatted for American dollars
- Bring up the dialog box:
 - "command 1"
 - "Format" and "cells" in pull down menu
- Choose
 - Number
 - Currency
 - \$
 - Two decimal places



Are we done yet?

- Now that we have the spread sheet
- Let's run some scenarios
 - First make a copy
 - What if we pay \$20 per month
 - What if we pay \$50 per month
 - Test some scenarios of your own!
- What can you conclude?

Maria Break

- What don't you see
 - Years of practice
 - Thought that went into presentation
 - Music, Sports, Comedy, Acting, Entertainment, Math, School, Books
- When do you get to rest on your laurels?
 - That would be never
 - But of course you need breaks to regenerate and recenter

Maria Break

- What is wisdom?
- How do you get it?
 - Pay attention
 - Think how can I get better
 - MAKE MISTAKES
 - And learn from them
 - This means taking responsibility
- What are you good at?
- How do you get good at something?
 - Practice

Two words about auto loans

- Research cars
 - Price
 - Reliability
 - Safety
- Loans
 - Dealers may not be best value
 - Watch out for
 - Prepayment penalties
 - Extra fees
 - Variable rates
 - Get it in writing
- Buy what you can afford



Thanks for making this a great week!

- Let's do the evaluation form
- Put the final touches on the entry for today in your worklog
- Have a great weekend!
- PS Don't forget your flash drive!
- My email: mmartin@csustan.edu
 - Best to put FAME in subject line