

# Simple Interest

$$I = PRT$$



**Interest**

The amount paid or earned for the use of money.



**Principal**

The amount of money deposited or borrowed.



**Rate**

The annual interest rate, written as a decimal.



**Time**

Time, expressed in years.

# I = PRT

Alan has \$580 in a savings account that pays 3% simple interest. How much interest will he earn in 5 years?

$$I = P \quad R \quad T$$

$$I = 580 * .03 * 5$$

$$I = 87$$

Alan will earn \$87.00 in interest in 5 years

Alan will have \$667.00 in his account in 5 years

# I = PRT

Alan has \$580 in a savings account that pays 3% simple interest. How much interest will he earn in 6 months?

$$I = P \quad R \quad T$$
$$I = 580 * .03 * 6/12$$
$$I = 8.7$$

Alan will earn \$8.70 in interest in 6 months

Alan will have \$588.70 in his account in 6 months

$$I = PRT$$

If you know I, R and T and need to find principal:

$$P = \frac{I}{RT}$$

$$I = PRT$$

If you know I, P, T and need to find the rate:

$$R = \frac{I}{PT}$$

$$I = PR T$$

If you know I, P, R and need to find the time:

$$T = \frac{I}{PR}$$