

Simple Interest

Principal / sum	It is the money borrowed/ lent out for a certain period.
Interest	It is the extra money paid for using other's money.
Simple Interest (SI)	It is the interest on a sum borrowed for certain period is reckoned uniformly. Simple Interest (SI) = PTR/100 Here Principal = P, Rate = R% per annum (p.a.) and Time = T years
Compound Interest(CI)	$CI = P [(1 + i)^n - 1]$ Here P = Principal, i = annual interest rate in percentage terms, and n = number of compounding periods.

Problems with solutions

1. A sum of money at simple interest amounts to Rs. 815 in 3 years and to Rs. 854 in 4 years. The sum is:

Solution

$$\text{S.I. for 1 year} = \text{Rs. } (854 - 815) = \text{Rs. } 39.$$

$$\text{S.I. for 3 years} = \text{Rs. } (39 \times 3) = \text{Rs. } 117.$$

$$\text{Principal} = \text{Rs. } (815 - 117) = \text{Rs. } 698.$$

2. How much time will it take for an amount of Rs. 450 to yield Rs. 81 as interest at 4.5% per annum of simple interest?

Solution

$$\text{Time} = (100 \times 81) / (450 \times 4.5) \text{ years} = 4 \text{ years.}$$

3. A sum fetched a total simple interest of Rs. 4016.25 at the rate of 9 p.c.p.a. in 5 years. What is the sum?

Solution

$$\text{Principal} = \text{Rs. } \frac{100 \times 4016.25}{9 \times 5}$$

$$= \text{Rs. } \frac{401625}{45}$$

$$= \text{Rs. } 8925.$$

4. A sum of Rs. 12,500 amounts to Rs. 15,500 in 4 years at the rate of simple interest. What is the rate of interest?

$$\text{S.I.} = \text{Rs. } (15500 - 12500) = \text{Rs. } 3000.$$

$$\text{Rate} = \frac{100 \times 3000}{12500 \times 4} \% = 6\%$$

5. An automobile financier claims to be lending money at simple interest, but he includes the interest every six months for calculating the principal. If he is charging an interest of 10%, the effective rate of interest becomes:

Let the sum = Rs. 100.

$$\text{S.I. for first 6 months} = \text{Rs. } \frac{100 \times 10 \times 1}{100 \times 2} = \text{Rs. } 5$$

$$\text{S.I. for last 6 months} = \text{Rs. } \frac{105 \times 10 \times 1}{100 \times 2} = \text{Rs. } 5.25$$

So, amount at the end of 1 year = Rs. $(100 + 5 + 5.25) = \text{Rs. } 110.25$

Effective rate = $(110.25 - 100) = 10.25\%$