

"Financial Calculators"

Workbook 2's Workshop

Project Description

You will build a website for a financial organization that wants to provide a set of financial calculators for their clients. The home page will provide links to the calculators.

They are interested in having you implement as many of the following calculators you can in the time allotted. Expectations: Getting two done would be good; getting three done would be great.

- A mortgage calculator - it is used to calculate out how much a monthly payment for a loan would be (minus any insurance or taxes), as well as how much interest you would pay over the life of the loan.
 - a. It would accept the principal, interest rate, and loan length from the user
 - b. It would display the expected monthly payment and total interest paid

Example: A \$53,000 loan at 7.625% interest for 15 years would have a \$495.09/mo payment with a total interest of \$36,115.99

This calculator would use a compounded interest formula.

- A calculator that determines the future value of a one-time deposit assuming compound interest - it is used to help you decide how much a CD will be worth when it matures
 - a. It would accept the deposit, interest rate, and number of years from the user
 - b. It would display the future value and the total interest earned

Example: If you deposit \$1,000 in a CD that earns 1.75% interest and matures in 5 years, your CD's ending balance will be \$1,092.62 and you would have earned \$92.62 in interest

Note: The numbers above assume daily compounding

- A calculator that determines the present value of an ordinary annuity. (Note: hard)
 - a. It would accept the monthly payout, expected interest rate, and years to pay out from the user
 - b. It would display the present value of that annuity

Example: To fund an annuity that pays \$3,000 monthly for 20 years and earns an expected 2.5% interest, you would need to invest \$566,141.46 today.

Hints

Your site won't look like any of the following, but this will give you an idea about what the each calculator does:

<https://www.bankrate.com/calculators/managing-debt/annual-percentage-rate-calculator.aspx>

<https://www.nerdwallet.com/article/banking/cd-calculator>

<https://financialmentor.com/calculator/present-value-of-annuity-calculator>

A quick Google will reveal the formulas needed to make each calculator work or you can read up on some of the formulas at:

Mortgage Payment: <https://www.quora.com/How-is-the-division-of-principal-vs-interest-calculated-on-mortgage-payments>

Future Value: <https://www.gobankingrates.com/banking/cd-rates/how-calculate-cd-accounts-value>

Note: the n in the formula stands for how often the compounding occurs and you want to compound 365x per year

Present Value of Annuity: <http://www.1728.org/annuity-presval-formulas.htm>

What Makes a Good Workshop Project?

You should:

- build a consistent look-and-feel throughout the site with intuitive navigation
- implement at least the first two calculators
- have a responsive user interface

You should adhere to best practices such as:

- have a good directory structures (ex: `css`, `images` and `scripts` folders)
- include Bootstrap and jQuery from a CDN
- have good file naming conventions (ex: lowercase file names with no spaces)
- have well- formatted HTML, CSS and JavaScript (indentions, blank lines, etc)
- use good names for your HTML elements and JavaScript variables/functions
- use HTML, CSS and JavaScript comments effectively

Make sure that:

- you use the ESLint tool to ensure you've written good JavaScript!
- you use validators to ensure you no HTML or CSS errors!
- there are no JavaScript errors at run time (check the Console tab in the browser)

Build a **PUBLIC** GitHub Repo for your code.

- Use an appropriate branch structure and have a commit history with meaningful comments
- Include a README.md file that describes your project and includes screen shots of 1) your home page 2) EACH of the calculator pages you build that shows inputs and correct outputs 3) one calculator page that shows erroneous inputs and an error message

Other things we look for include as we play with your website include:

- having focus appear automatically on the first input field
- having correct answers with good inputs on each calculator
- displaying monetary values with two digits to the right of the decimal point (and maybe a dollar sign in front of the number if that makes sense)
- the inability to enter bad data because of input is restricted using `<input type="number">`
- allowing decimal points in `<input type="number">` fields if needed by using the HTML attribute `step="any"`
- using a button's `click` event to trigger processing
- having a `reset` button
- using `readonly` on output form fields