# Interest, Tax, Profit, and Discount Rules 

Simple Interest: $\quad \mathbf{I}=\mathbf{P} \bullet \mathbf{R} \bullet \mathbf{T}$
I = interest
$\mathrm{P}=$ principal or how much you put in the bank or take out
$R=$ rate or the percent (\%) changed to a decimal
$\mathrm{T}=$ time in years

Distance:
$\mathbf{D}=\mathbf{R} \bullet \mathbf{T}$
D = distance
$R=$ rate or how fast (speed)
$\mathrm{T}=$ time or how long

## Sales Tax:

Tax = Cost • Sales Tax (\%)
Tax - How much you pay in tax?
Cost - How much an item or items cost?
Sales Tax - is percent (\%) of tax charge
Remember to change the percent to a decimal first!!

## Discount or Profit:

Discount/Profit $=$ Cost $\bullet$ Percent (\%) of Discount/Profit
Discount/Profit - How much you save or charge on an item?
Cost - How much an item or items cost?
Percent of Discount/Profit - is the percent saved/charged
Remember to change the percent to a decimal first!!

Reminder:
Check to see what the question is asking for you to solve for.
There may be additional steps that you need to take....

