Interest, Tax, Profit, and Discount Rules

Simple Interest: $I = P \bullet R \bullet T$

I = interest

P = principal or how much you put in the bank or take out

R = rate or the percent (%) changed to a decimal

T = time in years

Distance: $D = R \bullet T$

D = distance

R = rate or how fast (speed)

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 ● 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....