## CAREER PREPAREDNESS

| Unit | Credit and Debit $\quad$ Time on Task: $\mathbf{3}$ Hours/180 Minutes |
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| Course Content Standard(s) | 20. Determine advantages and disadvantages of using credit. <br> a. Analyze credit card offerings for the effect on personal finances. <br> Examples: annual percentage rate (APR), grace period, incentive buying, methods of calculating interest, fees |

College and Career Readiness Standards
(Teachers should select the appropriate grade span standard(s) as it pertains to reading and writing.)

| Reading Stand Technical Subje Literacy in | for Literacy in Science and 12 or Reading Standards for ory/Social Studies 6-12 | Writing Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science, and Technical Subjects 6-12 | Standards for Mathematical Practice |
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| 2, 4, 7 |  | 1c, 1e, 2f | 1, 5 |
| Learning Objective(s) | The student will: <br> 1. Analyze advantages and disadvantages of using credit. <br> 2. Explain how credit can affect one's personal finances. |  |  |


| 21 <br> Competencies | $\boxtimes$ Critical Thinking $\boxtimes$ Communication $\boxtimes$ Collaboration $\boxtimes$ Creativity | Source: Partnership for 21st Century Skills (www.p21.org/) |
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| Essential <br> Question(s) | How do you use credit wisely? |  |


| Content Knowledge | Suggested Instructional Activities | Suggested Materials, Equipment, and <br> Technology Resources |
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| I. Advantages and Disadvantages of Using Credit |  |  |
| A. Advantages |  |  |
| B. Disadvantages |  |  |$\quad$| Students read: "The Siren Song of Borrowing," in |
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| NEFE Module 2: "Borrowing- Use-Don't Abuse," |
| on page 4 and "How We Use Credit Is What's Good |
| or Bad," on pages 4 and 5. |$\quad$| National Economic Foundation of Education, |
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| NEFE Module 2: "The Siren Song of Borrowing," |
| on page 4, and "How We Use Credit Is What's |
| Good or Bad," on pages 4 and 5 5 |


|  | Discuss: Reasons to borrow money. <br> (Page 4) | Discuss: The concept of credit. Credit is a tool to <br> buy something now and pay for it later. |
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|  | Discuss: Why do you think it is important to learn <br> about credit? | Students complete Activity 2.1: "Borrowing Fitness <br> Test," on page 6 in NEFE Module 2: "Borrowing: <br> Use-Don't Abuse." |
|  | Bational Economic Foundation of Education, <br> NEFE Module 2: "Borrowing: Use-Don't <br> Abuse," and Activity 2.1: "Borrowing: Fitness <br> Test," on page 6 their answers on the 'Borrowing Fitness |  |
| Test," students write a paragraph describing how to |  |  |
| be a responsible borrower. |  |  |

Discuss: The four major options for borrowing money: revolving credit, installment credit, and service credit.

Students read: "Stealing from Your Future Self," on page 19 and "Know When to Say When," on page 20 and complete Activity 2.7" Know the Limit," on page 20, in NEFE Module 2.

Students Pair and Share to discuss reasons why people borrow money instead of paying cash. They respond to the NEFE Module 2: "Borrowing: UseDon't Abuse," section on "Reap the Rewards," on page 7.

Discuss: Which rewards are smart use of financial resources and which rewards are not always a smart use of money.

Students read: "Meet Mariah and Jessie," in NEFE Module 2, and "Borrowing: Use-Don't Abuse," on page 3. After reading the passage, students complete Activity 2.2:"What is the Reason?" on page 8.

Discuss: Student responses to questions in Activity 2.2.

Discuss: The difference between instant gratification and unwillingness to give up something now in return for something later. Will having a credit card impact your ability to delay gratification? Have students make a case for or against getting a credit card.

Students read: "Credit Makes the World Go 'Round," on page 8, and "Not-So-Fleeting Interest," on page 9 in NEFE Module 2.

NEFE Module 2: "Stealing from Your Future Self," on pages 19 and 20

Activity 2.7: Know When to Say When," on page 20

National Economic Foundation of Education, NEFE Module 2: "Borrowing: Use-Don't Abuse, Reap the Rewards," on page 7

National Economic Foundation of Education, NEFE Module 2: "Meet Mariah and Jessie," on page 3, and Activity 2.2: "What is the Reason?" on page 8

## NEFE Module 2

NEFE Module 2: "Credit Makes the World Go 'Round," on page 8, and "Not-So-Fleeting Interest," on pages 8 and 9

advance fee, over-the-limit fee/credit limit, grace period, set-up fees, maintenance fees.

Installment Loans: loan term, origination fee, prepayment penalty, down payment, discount points.

Students complete activity on ALEX lesson plan:
Step 2: Give students the "Credit Card Slogan" Quiz (see attached document on ALEX Lesson Plan) to introduce the project. This can either be displayed on the interactive whiteboard or distributed as a paper/pencil document.

Discuss with the class the basic terms most people look for when applying for a credit card (interest rate, annual fee, fixed or variable rate, etc.)

Students complete activity on ALEX lesson plan: Step 3: Divide students into cooperative groups (2 or 3 students) to create their credit card company name, terms, and slogan. Students should use the poster paper and markers to create their card.

Students complete activity on ALEX lesson plan: Step 4: Groups will present their cards to the class. The oral presentation should include their company name, a display of their card, their slogan, and a brief description of their terms. Each group presentation should only last about 30-45 seconds.

Students complete activity on ALEX lesson plan: Step 5: Students will use magazines, newspaper ads, catalogues, and/or the Internet to go on a shopping spree using their credit card. Have students create a chart to record their purchases. The chart should include their name, the basic terms of their credit card, the name of the item(s) they purchased, and the

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cost for each item. Students should total their purchases at the conclusion of the shopping time. (You will want to give them a time limit for shopping $30-45 \mathrm{~min}$.)

Students complete activity on ALEX lesson plan: Step 6: Distribute "BILLs" to each student based on their credit card terms. Through a class discussion, have students identify the differences between their purchase total and the total on their bill. They should be able to identify/calculate the interest. Discuss the effects of paying the minimum payment every month. Work an example where one pays the minimum payment each month and compare the totals each month. Students should discover that it will take a lengthy period of time to pay off the credit card by just paying the minimum payment. Be sure to include in the discussion how the amount you owe each month is affected by the charges made each month.

Students read: "The Dark Side of Debt" in NEFE Module 2 on pages 16 and 17 and complete Activity 2-6: "Good and Bad Credit."

Students read: "Be A Shrewd Borrower," in NEFE
Module 2, on pages 21-23 and complete Challenge 2A: "Decide the Best Deal for You."

Students develop a brochure on "Costs of Credit."

Students share brochures with class

ALEX Lesson Plan: Credit Cards are "Interest" ing www.alex.state.al.us Sample credit card bills

NEFE Module 2: "The Dark Side of Debt," on pages 16 and 17
Activity 2-6: "Good and Bad Credit"

NEFE Module 2: "Be A Shrewd Borrower" and Challenge 2-A: "Decide the Best Deal for You," on pages 21-23

Guidelines for developing brochure

| Assessment of Learning | Formative Assessments (AQTS 2.8) <br> - Activity 2.1: Borrowing Fitness Test <br> - Activity 2.7: Know the Limit <br> - Activity 2.2: What is the Reason <br> - Activity 2.3: Simply Tell the Total <br> - Activity 2.4: What is the Average Payment <br> - Activity 2-6: Good and Bad Credit | Summative Assessments (AQTS 2.9) <br> - Credit Card Project Presentation <br> - Challenge 2-A: Decide the Best Deal for You |
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| Sample Career <br> Options | Credit Manager, Personal Financial Planner, Loan Officer, Credit Department Supervisor |
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| Online Experience | Does this lesson address the required online experience? $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No <br> If yes, please indicate length of time in minutes. Click here to enter text. |
| Unit/Course <br> CTSO Activity <br> (if applicable) | Chapter sponsors a workshop on "Credit and Teen Buying Behaviors." |


| Culminating <br> Product | Brochure on "Costs of Credit." |
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| Course/Program Credential(s): $\square$ Credential $\square$ Certificate $\square$ Other: |  |

