

Discount Points In Exercises 21 and 22, use the information below.

Lenders may offer you the option to purchase *discount points* to reduce the interest rate on a loan. One point is equal to one percent of the loan amount.

- 21. You take out a home mortgage for \$150,000 for 30 years.
 - a. Compare the monthly payments of mortgage A and mortgage B.

Mortgage A: 4.5% with 2 points Mortgage B: 5% with no points

- **b.** Suppose you choose mortgage A. How long will it take you to pay off the points with your monthly savings from the lower rate?
- 22. You take out a home mortgage for \$120,000 for 30 years.
 - a. Compare the monthly payments of mortgage A and mortgage B.

Mortgage A: 5.5% with 3 points Mortgage B: 6% with 1 point

b. Suppose you choose mortgage A. How long will it take you to pay

off the points with your monthly savings from the lower rate?

23. Mortgage Reset You take out a 7-year balloon mortgage for \$160,000. The monthly payment is equal to that of a 30-year mortgage with an annual percentage rate of 5.5%. At the end of 7 years, you have the option to reset the mortgage and pay off the remaining balance over the next 23 years with an annual percentage rate of 6.5%.

- a. How much interest do you pay?
- **b.** How much would you save in interest by taking out a 30-year mortgage with an annual percentage rate of 6%?
- 24. **Principal and Interest** You take out a home mortgage for \$150,000 for 15 years with an annual percentage rate of 6%.
 - **a.** Find the total amount that you pay in interest each year and the total amount that you pay toward the principal each year.
 - **b.** Make a double bar graph that displays the information in part (a). Describe any trends in the graph.
- **25.** Mortgage Affordability You can afford to make monthly payments of \$600. How large of a home mortgage can you afford at a rate of 5% for a term of 30 years?
- **26.** Adjustable-Rate Mortgage You take out a 30-year adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM) for \$100,000. The interest rate is 5% for the first 5 years and 8% for the sixth year. What is "ARM reset shock"? How can you avoid it?

