

Building Wealth

The video "[Building Wealth](#)" discusses the importance of becoming financially stable through creating and maintaining wealth. Understanding the difference between wants and needs will help you save and invest more of your money to grow your financial resources. By delaying gratification and focusing on purchasing items you truly need, you'll quickly find yourself on the road to financial success.

Try This!

Read the items below. Draw a star next to the items that are needs. Draw an 'x' next to the items that are wants. Then answer the questions that follow.

Do I Really Need That?

Fast-food cheeseburger	Mascara	A subscription to a fashion magazine	Perfume	A trendy cellphone case
A sports car	A sweater	A laptop	Bottled water	A trip to Hawaii
A banana	Shampoo	A bed	Cable TV	A designer leather jacket

Not everyone has the same needs and wants. How did you decide which items were needs and which were wants?

Imagine that by delaying gratification you are able to save \$75 each month. Use a calculator to see how much you will have at different points in the future. You might be surprised at how quickly your savings can add up!

How much money will you have in one year? _____ Five years? _____ 10 years? _____

Did You Know...

Saving \$75 a month is great but choosing to invest your money instead can earn you even more money! If you invested \$75 per month in an account with 6% compounding interest you would have \$12,467.09 after 10 years. That's \$3,467.09 more than you would have by simply saving your money!

Answers: One Year: \$900, Five Years: \$4,500, 10 Years: \$9,000