## QUESTION

Fathiyya deposits RM6, 000 into a money market account which pays interest at a rate of $10 \%$ per year. What will the amount in the account be after 10 years?

## ANSWER

The correct answer can be found out by using the so called formula for Annual Compound Interest (ACI), which is represented in the picture below

## Compound Interest Formula (including Principal)

## Amount

## Principal

## Number of times interest is compounded per year


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Picture 1. Formula for Annual Compound Interest (ACI)

## Where:

$\mathbf{A}=$ the future value of the investment, including interest
$\mathbf{P}=$ the principal investment amount (the initial deposit amount)
$\mathbf{r}=$ the annual interest rate (decimal)
$\mathbf{n}=$ the number of times that interest is compounded per year
$\mathbf{t}=$ the number of years the money is invested for
According to the formula ACI for our case $\mathrm{P}=6,000, \mathrm{r}=10 / 100=0.1, \mathrm{n}=12$ (months in a year), $\mathrm{t}=10$, so we should calculate A - the future value of investment in the following way

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A=6000 \cdot\left(1+\frac{0.1}{12}\right)^{12 \cdot 10}
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After doing some calculations we will get the answer $A=16,242.25$. So, after 10 years the amount in the account will be equal to RM16, 242.25.

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