

**Enzo and Tess**

## Activity Sheet 5-5

- Enzo started saving at age 35. He made an initial investment of \$3,000 at 5% compound interest rate. His money kept growing for 30 years, until he retired at age 65.
- Tess started saving at age 45. She made the same initial investment of \$3,000 at the same compound interest rate as Enzo. Her money kept growing for 20 years, until she retired at age 65.

Q: Who do you think will have more money at age 65?

1. Enzo
2. Tess
3. Both Enzo and Tess have the same amount

**Enzo**

Age at contribution	<u>35</u>
Initial contribution	\$3,000
Years to grow	30
Compound interest rate	5%
Total accumulated value at age 65	\$

**Tess**

Age at contribution	<u>45</u>
Initial contribution	\$3,000
Years to grow	20
Compound interest rate	5%
Total accumulated value at age 65	\$

(Assumptions: Initial contribution made at the beginning of the year, interest compounded annually at a 5% rate of return. No additional contributions made.)

Calculations made using:

<https://www.getsmarteraboutmoney.ca/calculators/compound-interest-calculator/>