## The True Cost of Paying the Minimum

What is your credit card balance?		\$ 3238.19
What is the interest rate on your credit card?		14.9 %
How is your minimum payment calculated?		3.0% 🔫
Your minimum payment:		\$ 97.15
What fixed payment could you make each month?		\$ 98.88
	O	Minimum payment
Select a payment schedule based on:		Fixed payment

It will take you **172** months **(14 years 4 months)** to be rid of your debt. In that time, you will pay **\$2,150.96** in interest.

If you devoted **\$98.88** to your debt every month, it would be paid off in **43** months (**3 years 7 months**), and would cost you **\$944.16** in interest.

Payment Schedule					
Month	Minimum Payment	Interest Paid	Principal Paid	Remaining Balance	
1	\$97.15	\$40.21	\$56.94	\$3,181.25	
2	\$95.44	\$39.50	\$55.94	\$3,125.32	
3	\$93.76	\$38.81	\$54.95	\$3,070.36	
4	\$92.11	\$38.12	\$53.99	\$3,016.38	
5	\$90.49	\$37.45	\$53.04	\$2,963.34	
168	\$10.00	\$0.54	\$9.46	\$33.66	
169	\$10.00	\$0.42	\$9.58	\$24.08	
170	\$10.00	\$0.30	\$9.70	\$14.37	
171	\$10.00	\$0.18	\$9.82	\$4.55	
172	\$4.61	\$0.06	\$4.55	\$0.00	