

CHAPTER SUMMARY

Section 14.1

Everyday Financial Management

Your financial fitness is determined by your ability to understand and manage your paycheck, bank accounts, income, and expenses. Your income is affected by how you are paid and by the deductions that are taken out of your paycheck. Managing your income is easier with bank accounts. Insurance is a way to protect your income and possessions.

Section 14.2

Use Credit Wisely

Banks and other organizations often extend credit to their customers. There are both advantages and disadvantages to using credit. It is important to choose the right card for your needs and to pay close attention to the terms and fees included in the agreement. Credit should be used responsibly to avoid debt, high fees, bad credit, and other financial problems.