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Use the following links to complete the activity:

Infographic

<https://bettermoneyhabits.bankofamerica.com/en/credit/how-to-improve-your-credit-score>

Three C’s

<https://www.practicalmoneyskills.ca/personalfinance/creditdebt/history/3cs.php>

1. What Makes Up a Credit Score?

35% \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Payment history \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

30% \_\_\_\_\_Total amount owed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

15% \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Length of credit history\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10% \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Credit inquires \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10% \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Types of credit \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. What do the Numbers Mean?

Scores:

Below 580 \_\_\_\_\_Poor\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

580-669 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Fair\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

670-739 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Good\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

740-799 \_\_\_\_\_\_Very Good\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

800+ \_\_\_\_\_\_Exceptional \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. What is the United States National Average Credit Score? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_695\_\_\_\_\_

4. One way to improve your score: \_\_\_\_\_Pay bills, check for accuracy keep account balances around 30% or below \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. One way you can hurt your score:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Don’t pay, file for bankruptcy , collections, apply for a lot of credit \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. Explain the three C’s of Credit:

a. Character \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Have you used credit before, character references, how long at your address, job, etc. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

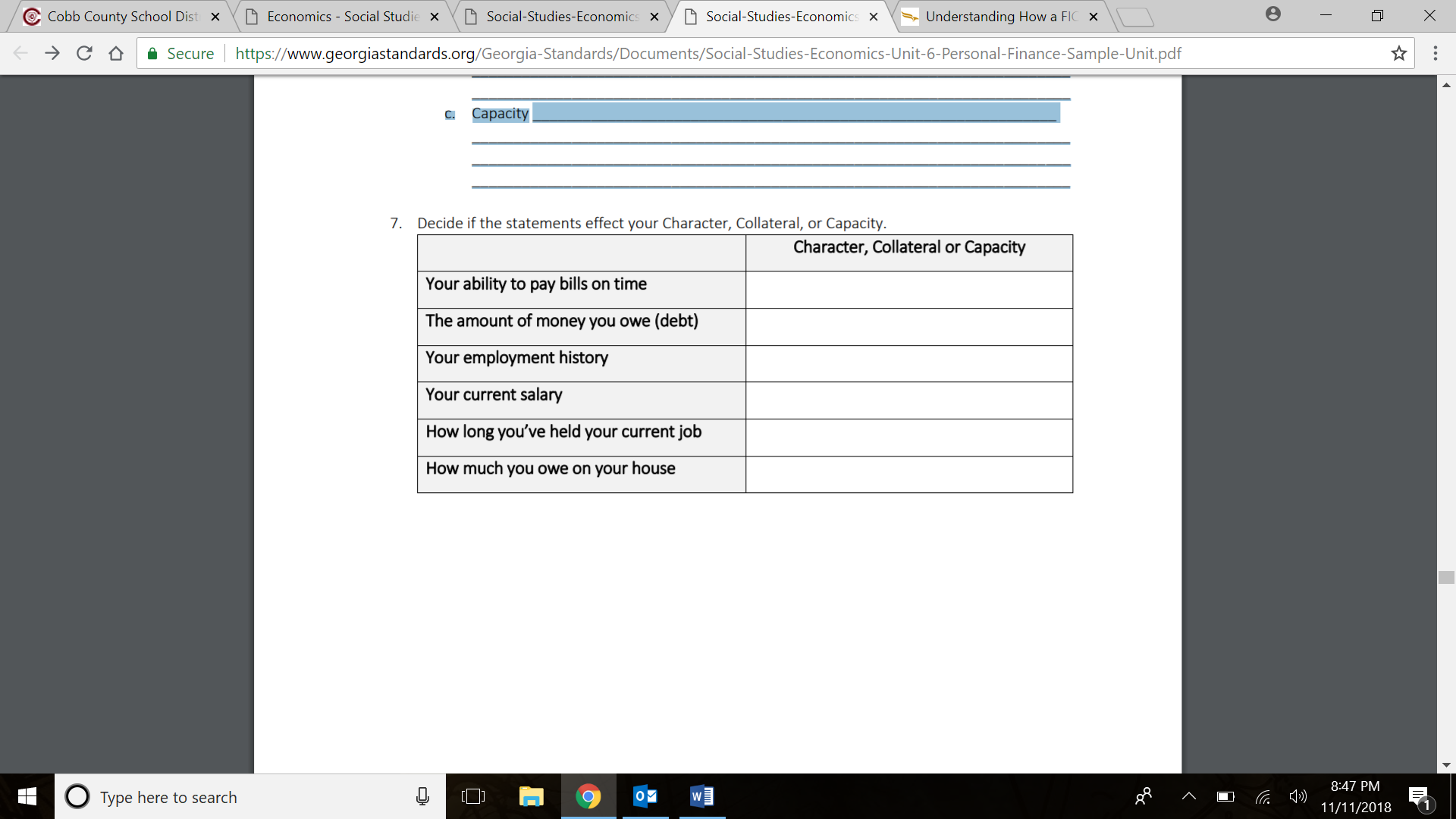
b. Collateral Valuable assets-

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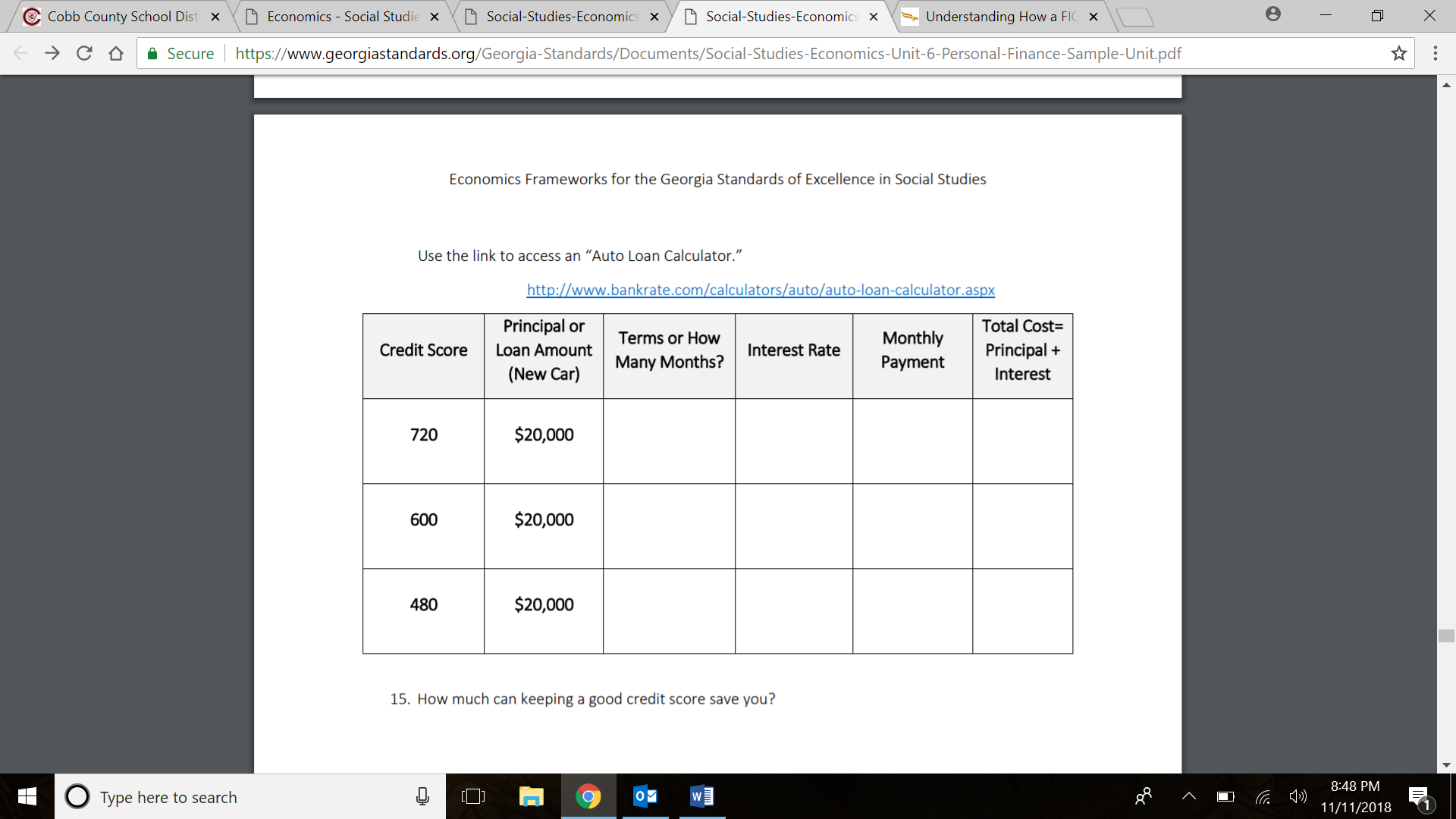
c. Capacity--- ability to repay the debt ( steady job, other loans,etc)

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Use the link to access an “Auto Loan Calculator.” [instamotor.com/auto-loan-calculator](https://instamotor.com/auto-loan-calculator)



8. How much can keeping a good credit score save you?

**Credit Cards**

1. Survey the local stores in your community which honor credit cards. Which cards are used? At

what kind of firm is each card used? Compile the data collected and reproduce it in the form of a

chart or table to indicate the number and type of firms that use credit cards.

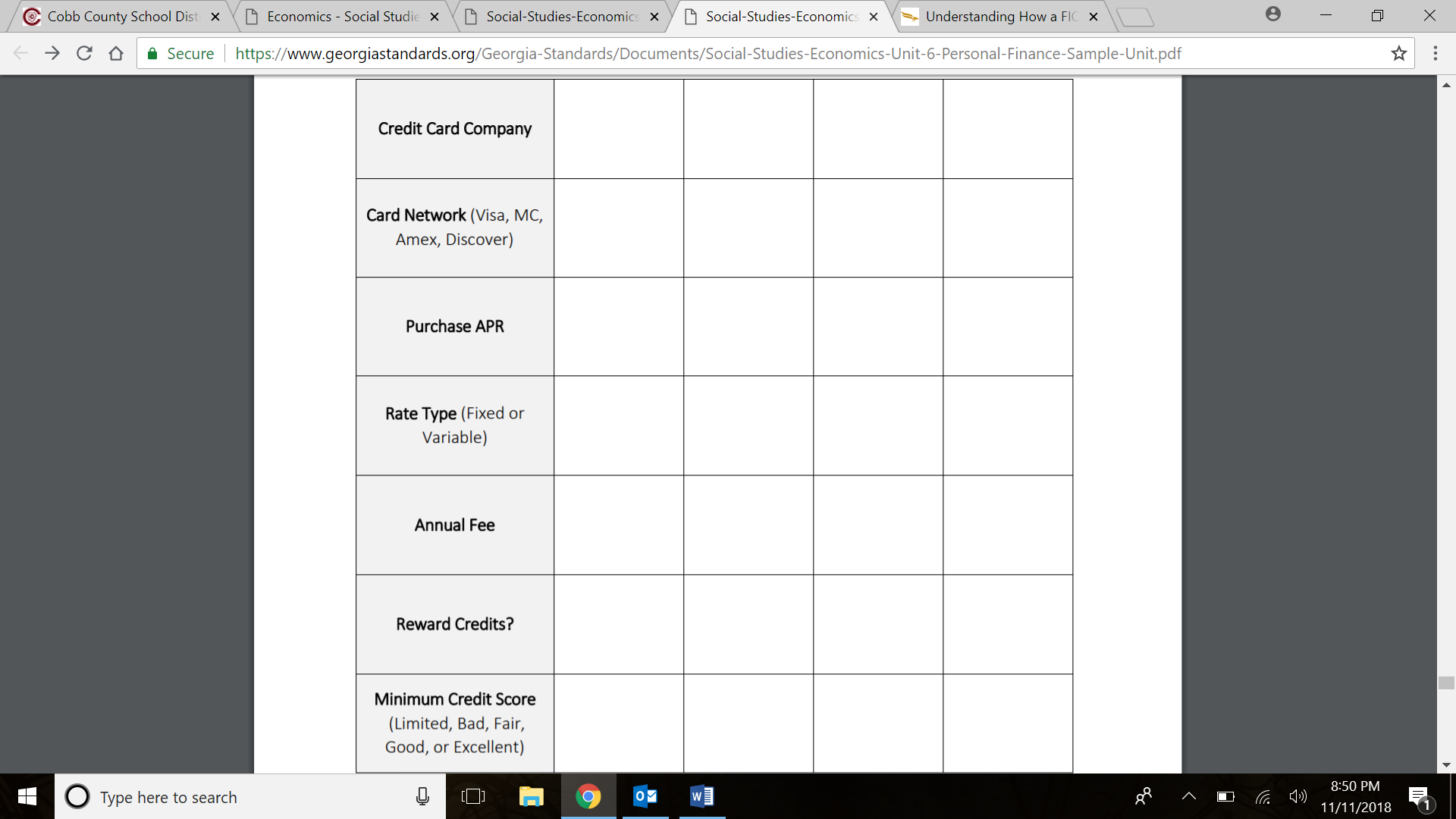
2. Use the link to answer the question: What is an APR?

<https://bettermoneyhabits.bankofamerica.com/en/credit/what-is-apr>

3. Compare Credit Card offers from 4 different institutions:

<https://wallethub.com/credit-cards/>

<https://www.credit.com/credit-cards/types-of-credit-cards/>



4. Which Credit Card would you recommend to a recent college graduate starting out at their first job? Justify your answer