## The hardest thing in the world to understand is the income tax. Albert Einstein

1. How can the quote be interpreted in light of what you have learned?

Use these tax tables to answer Exercises 2-5.

| If line 43 (taxable income) |  | And you are - |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At least | But less than | Single | Married filing jointly <br> Your tax | Married filing separately is - | Head of a household |
| 57,000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 57,000 | 57,050 | 10,600 | 7,751 | 10,600 | 9,319 |
| 57,050 | 57,100 | 10,613 | 7,759 | 10,613 | 9,331 |
| 57,100 | 57,150 | 10,625 | 7,766 | 10,625 | 9,344 |
| 57,150 | 57,200 | 10,638 | 7,774 | 10,638 | 9,356 |
| 57,200 | 57,250 | 10,650 | 7,781 | 10,650 | 9,369 |
| 57,250 | 57,300 | 10,663 | 7,789 | 10,663 | 9,381 |
| 57,300 | 57,350 | 10,675 | 7,796 | 10,675 | 9,394 |
| 57,350 | 57,400 | 10,688 | 7,804 | 10,688 | 9,406 |
| 57,400 | 57,450 | 10,700 | 7,811 | 10,700 | 9,419 |
| 57,450 | 57,500 | 10,713 | 7,819 | 10,713 | 9,431 |
| 57,500 | 57,550 | 10,725 | 7,826 | 10,725 | 9,444 |
| 57,550 | 57,600 | 10,738 | 7,834 | 10,738 | 9,456 |
| 57,600 | 57,650 | 10,750 | 7,841 | 10,750 | 9,469 |
| 57,650 | 57,700 | 10,763 | 7,849 | 10,763 | 9,481 |
| 57,700 | 57,750 | 10,775 | 7,856 | 10,775 | 9,494 |
| 57,750 | 57,800 | 10,788 | 7,864 | 10,788 | 9,506 |
| 57,800 | 57,850 | 10,800 | 7,871 | 10,800 | 9,519 |
| 57,850 | 57,900 | 10,813 | 7,879 | 10,813 | 9,531 |
| 57,900 | 57,950 | 10,825 | 7,886 | 10,825 | 9,544 |
| 57,950 | 58,000 | 10,838 | 7,894 | 10,838 | 9,556 |


| If line 43 (taxable income) |  | And you are - |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At least | But less than | Single | Married filing jointly <br> Your tax | Married filing separately <br> is - | Head of a household |
| 60,000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 60,000 | 60,050 | 11,350 | 8,201 | 11,350 | 10,069 |
| 60,050 | 60,100 | 11,363 | 8,209 | 11,363 | 10,081 |
| 60,100 | 60,150 | 11,375 | 8,216 | 11,375 | 10,094 |
| 60,150 | 60,200 | 11,388 | 8,224 | 11,388 | 10,106 |
| 60,200 | $\mathbf{6 0 , 2 5 0}$ | 11,400 | 8,231 | 11,400 | 10,119 |
| 60,250 | 60,300 | 11,413 | 8,239 | 11,413 | 10,131 |
| 60,300 | 60,350 | 11,425 | 8,246 | 11,425 | 10,144 |
| 60,350 | 60,400 | 11,438 | 8,254 | 11,438 | 10,156 |
| 60,400 | 60,450 | 11,450 | 8,261 | 11,450 | 10,169 |
| 60,450 | 60,500 | 11,463 | 8,269 | 11,463 | 10,181 |
| 60,500 | 60,550 | 11,475 | 8,276 | 11,475 | 10,194 |
| 60,550 | 60,600 | 11,488 | 8,284 | 11,488 | 10,206 |
| 60,600 | 60,650 | 11,500 | 8,291 | 11,500 | 10,219 |
| 60,650 | 60,700 | 11,513 | 8,299 | 11,513 | 10,231 |
| 60,700 | 60,750 | 11,525 | 8,306 | 11,525 | 10,244 |
| 60,750 | 60,800 | 11,538 | 8,314 | 11,538 | 10,256 |
| 60,800 | 60,850 | 11,550 | 8,321 | 11,550 | 10,269 |
| 60,850 | 60,900 | 11,563 | 8,329 | 11,563 | 10,281 |
| 60,900 | 60,950 | 11,575 | 8,336 | 11,575 | 10,294 |
| 60,950 | 61,000 | 11,588 | 8,344 | 11,588 | 10,306 |


| If line 4 (taxable income |  | And you are - |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At least | But less than | Single | Married filing jointly <br> Your tax | Married filing separately <br> is - | Head of a house. hold |
| 63,000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 63,000 | 63,050 | 12,100 | 8,651 | 12,100 | 10,819 |
| 63,050 | 63,100 | 12,113 | 8,659 | 12,113 | 10,831 |
| 63,100 | 63,150 | 12,125 | 8,666 | 12,125 | 10,844 |
| 63,150 | 63,200 | 12,138 | 8,674 | 12,138 | 10,856 |
| 63,200 | 63,250 | 12,150 | 8,681 | 12,150 | 10,869 |
| 63,250 | 63,300 | 12,163 | 8,689 | 12,163 | 10,881 |
| 63,300 | 63,350 | 12,175 | 8,696 | 12,175 | 10,894 |
| 63,350 | 63,400 | 12,188 | 8,704 | 12,188 | 10,906 |
| 63,400 | 63,450 | 12,200 | 8,711 | 12,200 | 10,919 |
| 63,450 | 63,500 | 12,213 | 8,719 | 12,213 | 10,931 |
| 63,500 | 63,550 | 12,225 | 8,726 | 12,225 | 10,944 |
| 63,550 | 63,600 | 12,238 | 8,734 | 12,238 | 10,956 |
| 63,600 | 63,650 | 12,250 | 8,741 | 12,250 | 10,969 |
| 63,650 | 63,700 | 12,263 | 8,749 | 12,263 | 10,981 |
| 63,700 | 63,750 | 12,275 | 8,756 | 12,275 | 10,994 |
| 63,750 | 63,800 | 12,288 | 8,764 | 12,288 | 11,006 |
| 63,800 | 63,850 | 12,300 | 8,771 | 12,300 | 11,019 |
| 63,850 | 63,900 | 12,313 | 8,779 | 12,313 | 11,031 |
| 63,900 | 63,950 | 12,325 | 8,786 | 12,325 | 11,044 |
| 63,950 | 64,000 | 12,338 | 8,794 | 12,338 | 11,056 |

2. Determine the tax for each filing status and taxable income amount.
a. single $\$ 57,723$
b. head of household $\$ 60,950$
c. married filing jointly \$63,999
d. married filing separately \$57,521
3. Given a taxable income amount, express the tax table line that would be used in compound inequality notation.
a. $i=\$ 60,124$
b. $i=\$ 57,333$
4. Given the taxable income amount, express the tax table line that would be used in interval notation.
a. $i=\$ 57,555$
b. $i=\$ 63,411$
c. $i=\$ 60,002$
d. $i=\$ 63,301$
5. Given the filing status and the tax, identify the taxable income interval that was used to determine the tax.
a. head of household $\$ 9,406$
b. single $\$ 12,275$
c. single $\$ 11,538$
d. married filing jointly $\$ 8,291$
e. married filing separately $\$ 10,788$

## Use these tax schedules to answer Exercises 6-10.

Schedule Z- If your filing status is Head of household

| If your taxable income is: <br> Over- | The tax is: |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | But not over- |  | of the amount over- |
| \$0 | \$11,450 | .......... 10\% | \$0 |
| 11,450 | 43,650 | \$1,145.00 + 15\% | 11,450 |
| 43,650 | 112,650 | 5,975.00 + 25\% | 43,650 |
| 112,650 | 182,400 | 23,225.00 + 28\% | 112,650 |
| 182,400 | 357,700 | 42,755.00 + 33\% | 182,400 |
| 357,700 | .......... | 100,604.00 + 35\% | 357,700 |

6. Calculate the tax for each taxable income of a head of household.
a. $\$ 400,000$
b. $\$ 10,954$
c. $\$ 108,962$
d. $\$ 201,102$
7. For what taxable income would a taxpayer have to pay $\$ 5,975.00$ in taxes? Explain your reasoning.
8. According to the tax schedule, Rich has to pay $\$ 25,000$ in taxes. What is Rich's taxable income?
9. Kelly's taxable income is $\$ 110,000$. Approximately what percent of her taxable income is her tax?
10. Maureen's taxable income, $t$, is between $\$ 182,400$ and $\$ 357,700$. Write an algebraic expression that represents her tax.

## Use this tax computation worksheet to answer Exercises 11-14.

Section D - Use if your filing status is Head of household. Complete the row below that applies to you.

|  | (a) <br> Taxable income. <br> If line 43 is - | Enter the amount <br> from line 43 | Multiplication <br> amount | (c) <br> Multiply <br> (a) by (b) | (d) <br> Subtraction <br> amount |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| At least $\$ 100,000$ but <br> not over $\$ 112,650$ | $\$$ | $\times 25 \%(.25)$ | Subtract (d) from (c). <br> Enter the result here and <br> on Form 1040, line 44 |  |  |
| Over $\$ 112,650$ but <br> not over $\$ 182,400$ | $\$$ | $\times 28 \%(.28)$ | $\$$ | $\$ 4,937.50$ | $\$$ |
| Over $\$ 182,400$ but <br> not over $\$ 357,700$ | $\$$ | $\times 33 \%(.33)$ | $\$$ | $\$ 8,317.00$ | $\$$ |
| Over $\$ 357,700$ | $\$$ | $\times 35 \%(.35)$ | $\$$ | $\$ 17,437.00$ | $\$$ |

11. Calculate the tax for each of the taxable incomes of a head of household taxpayer.
a. $\$ 400,000$
b. $\$ 108,962$
c. $\$ 201,102$
d. $\$ 106,000$
12. Let $x$ represent a head of household taxpayer's taxable income that is over $\$ 357,700$. Write an expression for this taxpayer's tax in terms of $x$.
13. Let $w$ represent the tax for any taxable income $t$ on the interval $182,400<t \leq 357,700$.
a. Calculate the lowest tax on this interval.
b. Calculate the highest tax on this interval.
c. Given the interval, $182,400<t \leq 357,700$, express the tax in terms of $w$.
