

INTERACTIVE: Shady Sam Loan Shark

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Part I: Play Shady Sam

1. Go to shadysam.com. Enter your first name and click START PLAYING.
2. **End of the game:** Take a screenshot of the final email and paste it below. Then, click “Clock Out” and continue to answer the rest of the questions.

Part II: Reflection Questions

3. Reflect on your emotional state as you played the game and saw your total profits at the end. Explain why you felt that way.
4. As an employee of Shady Sam, your goal was to maximize profits. How well do you think you did?
5. Most borrowers only pay attention to the monthly payment when taking out a loan.
 - a. Why do you think this is?
 - b. How can this benefit the lender?
6. Complete this sentence by circling or highlighting one term:

The loans that were most profitable tended to have the shortest / longest terms and the lowest / highest monthly payments.
7. Which loan kept the borrower returning for extensions? Why do you think these loans are popular despite trapping borrowers in a cycle of debt?

- borrower** in the future? Be specific.