

Understanding Credit

Calculate utilization, organize important dates and identify responsible questions to investigate.

BEFORE YOU ASK

Score context	Source and date, if known; a score alone is not the whole file.
Revolving accounts	Rounded balances and limits using labels such as Card A.
Other obligations	Rounded balances and required payments only when relevant.

READY-TO-USE PROMPT

COPY THIS PROMPT

Explain the educational factors that may affect a credit profile like this example: score source and date [if known], Card A balance about \$___ with limit about \$___, Card B balance about \$___ with limit about \$___ and loan balance about \$___. Calculate overall and per-card utilization, show the math, state assumptions, explain what I should verify on my reports and offer several possible priorities. Do not promise a score change or recommend disputing accurate information.

USEFUL FOLLOW-UPS

- [] How would utilization change if I paid \$___?
- [] Which dates should I track for each revolving account?
- [] What evidence should I gather before disputing a genuine error?

CHECK THE ANSWER

- [] The math is correct and assumptions are visible.
- [] Any payment suggestion is affordable after essentials.
- [] The answer does not guarantee deletion or a score increase.

PRIVACY RULE

Use rounded amounts. Never enter passwords, PINs, full account numbers, government ID numbers, login details or complete financial reports.