WHAT TO KNOW when getting your first paycheck

Terms to know:

- Gross pay=hourly rate x hours worked
- Deductions: taxes and employee benefits
- Net pay is actual take home pay=gross pay-deductions

Your Net Pay may only be 70-80% of your Gross Pay, the

other percentage goes to taxes, which include:

- Federal and State income tax
- Social Security and Medicare Tax (FICA)
- Additional taxes such as city and special state taxes
- Employee benefits
 - Health/Dental/Vision insurance
 - Disability insurance
 - Retirement (401K)

Here are some tips to think about when receiving your paycheck:

- Ask questions if you are confused with your paycheck
- Create a goal to PAY YOURSELF first. Save a certain percentage or amount of every paycheck

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