## **ProFiler® Mid-Season Practice Scenario #3**

## **Learning Objectives**

- Amended return completed for the following:
  - Use the prior-year earned income lookback provision to determine the highest Earned Income Credit (EIC) and Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC)
  - Claim the Recovery Rebate Credit

## **General Information**

Use the information provided in the scenario to prepare a tax return. After you complete the return, review the "Lessons Learned" section for some valuable insight about tax preparation, products, and promotions related to the scenario.

**ProFiler® Navigation:** As you practice, apply the information in the <u>ProFiler Quick Reference Guide</u> (available in the Learning Center Catalog) to save time by using shortcut keys, best practices, tips, and helpful resources that reside within ProFiler.

**Scanning Documents/ID:** When preparing 'live' returns, you will be scanning documentation and client IDs. You must see and scan an ID for the taxpayer (and their spouse if filing jointly). Consult your supervisor for guidance about using scanning equipment locally and whether they want you to use the scanner during practice.

**Disclaimer:** This scenario is a mock interpretation of a client interview. It does not provide answers to every question in ProFiler. Therefore, where specific information is not provided, continue by answering logically. However, when preparing 'live' returns, never make assumptions and never answer questions for clients.

Never use any of the scenario information when preparing 'live' returns. For example, if the client does not provide an e-mail address, do not create one using @nomail.com. Only use valid e-mail addresses when preparing 'live' returns.

## **Scenario Information**

This scenario is based on ProFiler Practice Scenario (PPS) #13.

Coral Liu's original return was prepared based on the information in PPS #13. She would like to amend that tax return.

Information from PPS #13 is included next as a refresher of what was included on Coral's original return. Complete her amended return using the additional amended return information included for the objectives of this Mid-Season PPS.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION & POTENTIAL DEPENDENTS

Primary Name (a	s shown on SS	Card):				Spo	ouse N	Name (as shown	on SS Card):			
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Address: 1223 Celedon	Road				City: Your		У		State: YS		Zip Co Zip Co	
Marital Status: If married, live together (Yes/No)?			No	State of Residence Your State		e:	Phone (Day): 260-000-1198		(Cell)	Phone (Evening): Same		ning):
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Coral Liu (400-00-4013) is married but has not shared a home with her spouse, Boqin Liu (11-30-1981, 410-00-4013), for several years while he has lived overseas. She does not want to file jointly with him. Coral rents the house where she lives.

Coral chooses to receive reduced Front Office Printing (FOP). Therefore, answer **YES** for the ProFiler question in the "Personal Information" section that asks about reducing the amount of paperwork that prints and accessing documents electronically through MyJH. If applicable, answer **YES** for the ProFiler question in the "Products, Services and Fees" section that asks about reduced paperwork and continuing with the printing of the front office paperwork.

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Coral and Bogin's children lived with Coral all year. Their children are

- Bai Liu, son
- ♦ Feng Liu, son
- Chen Liu, daughter

- Handen Liu, daughter
- Wera Liu, daughter

Coral supports all of the children and provides the entire cost of maintaining the home. No one else lives with them, and she has not given Boqin permission to claim their children. He has *not* had contact with their children since he moved overseas.

Coral brought all of the children's school records. You scan and save these documents for your files. You also explain to Coral that she must be able to provide, upon IRS request, any documentation she has to support her filing status and claiming credits related to her children.

#### **INCOME**

Coral is employed as a repair dispatcher working from her home. Her employer covers all of her network and phone expenses (W-2 shown).

Coral started selling magazines door-to-door during September of the tax year to make some extra money (Form 1099-NEC shown). She uses the cash method of accounting. She did *not* receive any income for the business other than the 1099-NEC amount, and she did not make any payments that require her to file any Forms 1099 for other individuals or businesses.

Coral started completing the Schedule C Client Data Sheet for her door-to-door sales using her 1099-NEC, but she did not enter any expenses. When you ask Coral about expenses, you find out the only expenses she has are related to driving her only vehicle to go to different neighborhoods to sell magazines.

This is the first time Coral used her car for business purposes. It is her personal vehicle. Coral tells you she drove about 10,000 miles during the year, of which about 1,000 were for business. She doesn't know anything about commuting miles. You ask additional questions to get details about the specific date Coral started using the car for business and the actual miles she drove. She doesn't remember, but fortunately she's been keeping a mileage log. She didn't bring it with her, but she will return to the office with her log book. Click the 'Pending' check box on the right side of the screen for the vehicle questions about dates purchased and placed in service and about miles. This prevents the tax return from being saved as a completed return and places the return on hold.

#### OTHER

Coral has never had a retirement plan.

Coral has received refundable credits in previous years and has never received any correspondence from the IRS about any issues. She does not know her prior-year earned income and has not been able to get it.

Coral received \$3,700 for the first economic impact payment (EIP1). She anticipates receiving \$3,600 for the second EIP (EIP2).

Later in the day, Coral drops by the office with her log book and completes and signs her Schedule C Client Data Sheet (shown). She did not keep records of actual expenses for her car. When you ask when she purchased the car, she tells you 03-20-2016.

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b. Employer	identification number (EIN)			1	Wages, tips, other compensation	2.	Federal income tax wit	hheld
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Form **W-2** Wage and Tax Statement

2020

Department of the Treasury—Internal Revenue Service

Copy B—To Be Filed With Employee's FEDERAL Tax Return.

This information is being furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

PAYER'S name, street address, city or tov foreign postal code, and telephone no. MS INTERNATIONAL  5186 SHARPING PL TRAVERTON TX 77739	vn, state or province, country,	ZIP or	1 Nonemployee comp	OMB No. 1545-0116  2020  Form 1099-NEC	Nonemployee Compensation
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00-0400813	400-00-4013				
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Street address (including apt. no.)			4 Federal income t	ax withheld	being furnished to the IRS. If you are
1223 CELEDON RD			Ś		required to file a return, a negligence
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YOUR CITY YS ZIP CODE					imposed on you if this income is
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Form **1099-NEC** (keep for your records) www.irs.gov/Form1099NEC Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service



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# PROFIT & LOSS FROM BUSINESS SCHEDULE C DATA SHEET

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Data:	01/16/2021	
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This form is to assist you in gathering your business-related tax information. All income must be reported, including cash and bartering.

		G	eneral Busine	ess Information			
Business name NONE				Gross receipts 847.63			
Last four (4) digits of SSN # 40	13			Inventory at beginning of the year	· \$		
Fed EIN #				Inventory at end of the year \$			
Business owner Coral Liu				Total expenses \$			
Business phone	Cell_	260-000-1	198	Net income \$ 847.63			
Address 1223 Celedon Road				Did you purchase equipment? ☐ `	Yes <b>▼</b> No		
City Your City	s	T_YS_Zip	ZIP Code	Specify			
Accounting method   ✓ Cash   □				First time filing a Schedule C?	Yes □ No		
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Advertising				Vehicle, machinery & equipment			
Commission				Maintenance			
Employee benefits program				Supplies			
Insurance				Taxes—real estate			
Mortgage interest				Taxes—other			
Other interest (except vehicle)				Travel			
Legal and professional				Total meals and entertainment			
Office expenses				Sub-contract labor			
Phone				Wages			
Pension and profit sharing plans				Other expenses			
Rent				Materials			
			Vehicle E	xpenses			
Description of vehicle Persona	al Car			Commuting miles 846			
Cost of vehicle \$ 12,746				Parking fees and tolls \$			
Date placed in service 09/11/2				Gasoline, lube, oil \$			
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				ation. Upon examination of the return all records, which you may be called			
I certify that the information on t	his and any	other form	submitted is comp	lete and correct.			
Client Signature <u>Coral Liu</u>			Secondary Taxpaye	er Signature		Date_ <u>01</u>	/16/2021
Note: The new Qualified Business D	Deduction (QI	BI or 199A) th	nat is part of Tax Refo	rm is determined based on the net profit t	from your bu	siness(es).	

## **Scenario Information - Amended Return**

Coral has returned to have her federal tax return amended because

- She did not have her prior-year earned income information when she originally filed, so her current tax year earned income was used to calculate her EITC and ACTC. Her tax year 2019 IRS transcript shows her prior-year earned income is \$50,732. She did not receive any combat pay. She would like to see if she can benefit from using her prior-year earned income to calculate her EITC and/or ACTC. Coral wants to claim the highest credit amounts.
- She did not claim the Recovery Rebate Credit (RRC) on her original return. However, she has not received her second economic impact payment (EIP2), so she would like to claim the RRC. Coral used the IRS "Get My Payment" tool to show you she has not received her EIP2.

None of Coral's personal information has changed from her original return.

Coral gives Jackson Hewitt permission to discuss her return with the IRS.

The best way to reach Coral is by using her cell phone number.

Prepare Coral's amended tax return.

#### **CONSENT QUESTIONS - AMENDED RETURN**

The client must provide consents. You collect this information verbally during the interview, and they complete and sign paperwork that documents their decisions.

After explaining the purpose of the consents, Coral chooses the following:

- Consent to contact her to provide marketing information about refund status, appointments, and products and services. YES
- Consent to share her tax information with, and receive communications from, an affiliate (Jackson Hewitt Marketing Services), third-party lenders, and other companies about additional products, services, and offers. YES

#### **PRODUCT CHOICES - AMENDED RETURN**

Coral chooses the following:

- ♦ IRS Direct
- Direct Deposit Coral wants her amended return refund disbursed as a Direct Deposit to the same checking account she used for her original return refund (Webber Bank, routing number 120139013, and account number JJJ12345).

#### **ELECTRONIC FILING - AMENDED RETURN**

Coral wants to file her amended return electronically. She wants to electronically sign her amended return using her own PIN. Her PIN is 16963, and Coral authorizes you to enter the PIN for her into ProFiler<sup>®</sup>. She will pay her tax preparation fees in cash.

She says her cell phone number is the best number to reach her.

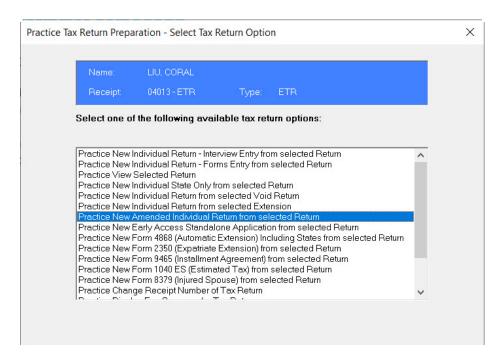
## LESSONS LEARNED - AMENDED RETURN

This section describes the lessons you should have learned from this exercise.

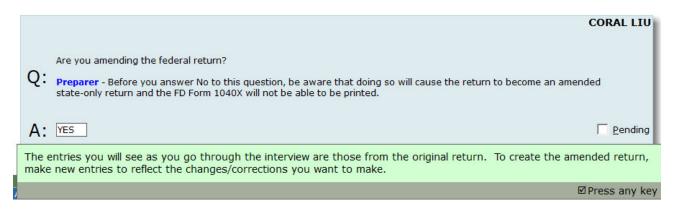
#### **Amended Return**

After selecting the ProFiler 'Practice Tax Programs' option to 'Practice Tax Return Preparation' and entering the taxpayer's SSN and last name, select the 'Use Existing Tax Return' option and the original return from the "Practice Tax Return Preparation - Existing Tax Returns" window. Then, click **Next**.

Select 'Practice New Amended Individual Return from selected Return' from the "Practice Tax Return Preparation - Select Tax Return Option" window, and click **Next**.



After following additional prompts, ProFiler opens. In the "Personal Information" section, answer **YES** to the question about amending the federal return.



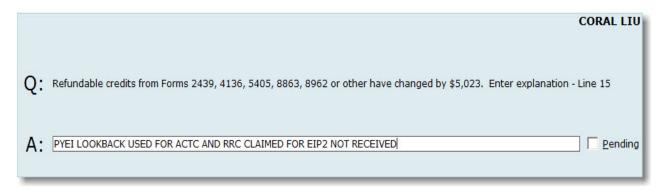
Next, go through the interview and make entries for the amended return. In this case, enter

- Coral's prior-year earned income to see if she can benefit from using it to calculate her EITC and/or ACTC
- Zero for Coral's second EIP after you confirm she has not received it

After entering changes, the Form 1040X pops up. It shows the original return information in Column A, your new entries for the amended return in Column C, and the differences between the two in Column B.

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After exiting the pop-up form, questions are asked for you to enter explanations for changes shown on the Form 1040X.



These entries are shown in the Federal Return Recap on Page 2 of Form 1040X.

Part III Explanation of changes. In the space provided below, tell us why you are filing Form 1040-X.

Attach any supporting documents and new or changed forms and schedules.

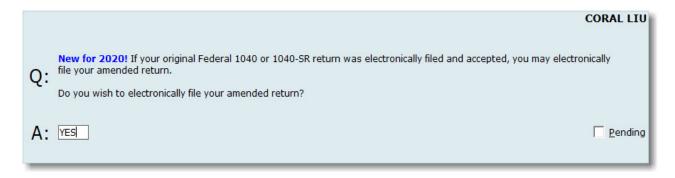
LINE 15 REFUNDABLE C

PYEI LOOKBACK USED FOR ACTC AND RRC CLAIMED FOR EIP2 NOT RECEIVED

#### Remember to keep a copy of this form for your records.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have filed an original return and that I have examined this amended return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, this amended return is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information about which the preparer has any knowledge.

Coral's amended return can be filed electronically because she filed her original return electronically.



## **Using Prior-Year Earned Income for EITC and ACTC**

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, allows qualified taxpayers to elect to "lookback" and use either their 2019 earned income (not to be confused with AGI) or 2020 earned income to calculate the EITC and ACTC if their 2020 earned income is less than their 2019 earned income.

Clients may choose use the 2019 earned income for both credits, just one of the credits, or neither credit. ProFiler calculates the credits using all the different combinations, and then clients select the option they want to use. They will likely choose the method that results in the highest credit amounts.

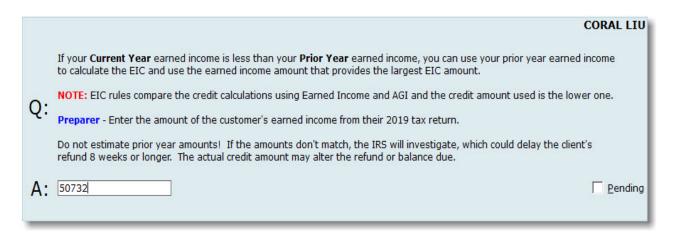
**Note:** Remember, the EITC is the lower credit amount based on earned income and AGI. Even if the 2019 earned income is used for the EITC calculation, the credit is the lower amount based on 2019 earned income and 2020 AGI.

When using LYS for prior-year clients, ProFiler automatically uses the prior-year data to determine the EITC and ACTC amount options for the client. As part of your due diligence, you need to confirm the prior-year data did not change from the data stored in LYS. For new clients, you need to enter their 2019 earned income for ProFiler to determine the credit amount options.

Coral is not a prior-year client. Her IRS transcript for her prior-year tax return shows her 2019 earned income was \$50,732. It shows her 2019 earned income is \$50,732. Her 2020 earned income is less than her 2019 earned income, so use the lookback calculations to determine the amount of EITC and ACTC for which she qualifies.

#### **ProFiler Entries**

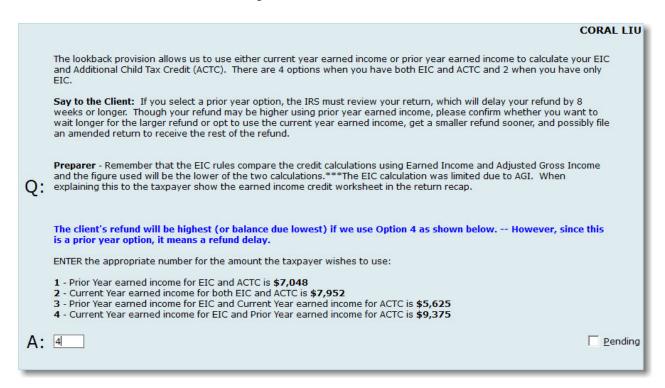
Answer the following questions in ProFiler related to using the lookback calculations. **Never** estimate the prior-year earned income.



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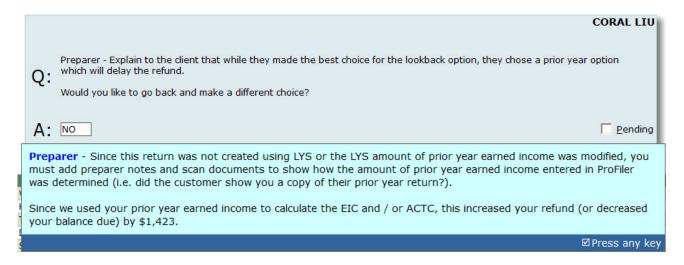
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Q: If the taxpayer, or spouse, were in the military last year, please be sure to enter the amount of elected combat pay he taxpayer, or spouse, were in the military last year, please be sure to enter the amount of elected combat pay he taxpayer. The combat pay must be printed on Form 1040/1040-SR if using prior year earned income for EIC purposes.	ere.
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Q: If the taxpayer or spouse was active duty military and deployed to a combat zone, enter the total amount of combat from the prior year tax return for ACTC purposes.	

For the following question, ProFiler defaults to the choice with the highest credit amount. In Coral's case, using her current-year earned income to calculate the EITC and her prior-year earned income to calculate the ACTC results in the highest total credit amount.



The next question is used to verify the client's choice. The default is blank, so you must respond with **YES** or **NO**. If the answer is **YES**, ProFiler goes back to the previous question. If the answer is **NO**, ProFiler proceeds with the interview.

**Note:** The client's refund is subject to being delayed if any of the choices using prior-year earned income are used. Coral wants to claim the highest credit amounts. Prior-year earned income is used in the calculation, so her amended return refund is subject to being delayed.



In Coral's case, it is to her advantage to use the lookback to calculate her ACTC.

Need more information? Refer to this resource available from the Learning Center Catalog:

Using the Lookback Amount (2019 Earned Income) for EIC and ACTC Job Aid

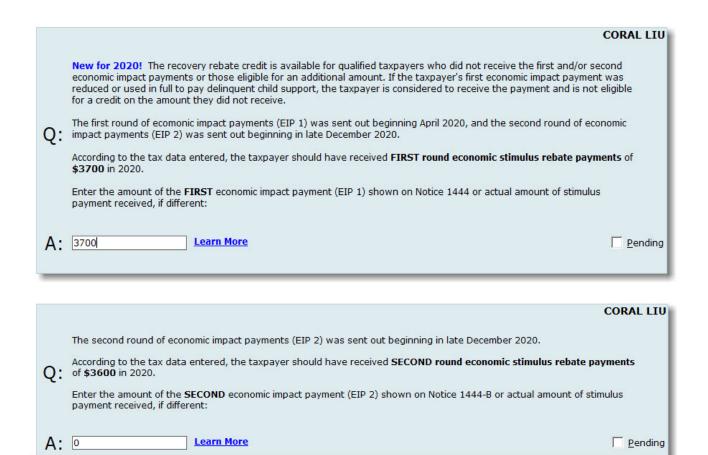
## **Recovery Rebate Credit**

The Recovery Rebate Credit (RRC) is a credit for qualified taxpayers who did not receive both economic impact payments (EIPs) and for those who received EIPs but are eligible for an additional amount. There are a few situations that could exist, including

- EIP = amount entitled to receive, so no credit on the tax return
- ♦ EIP < amount entitled to receive, so claim a credit on the tax return
- EIP > amount entitled to receive; so no credit on the tax return; also, the taxpayer generally is not required to pay back the difference

Coral received the first EIP (EIP1) equal to the amount she was entitled to receive, but she did not receive the second EIP (EIP2). Leave the ProFiler entry for EIP1 as it was for her original return, but change the EIP2 to zero.

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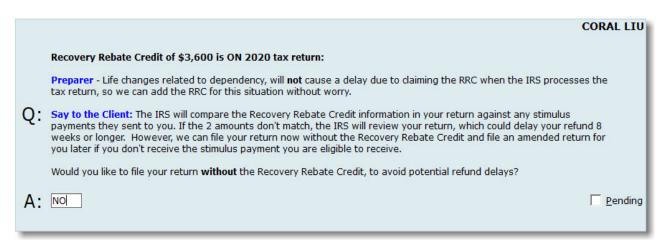
After selecting 'Yes' for the preparer message above, ProFiler shows Coral qualifies for a \$3,600 RRC on her amended return, which is equal to the EIP2 she should have received.

could be adjusted by the IRS causing further delay. Are you sure the amount is accurate? (select YES or NO)

**Preparer** - Please enter **the amount of the SECOND stimulus only.** If this amount is not correct, and a recovery rebate credit is determined based on incorrect information, the IRS could **reject** or **delay** processing the return, or the refund

✓ Yes × No

The default to the next question is blank, so you must respond with YES or NO.



Need more information? Refer to this resource available from the Learning Center Catalog:

Reconciling the Recovery Rebate Credit Job Aid

## **Taxpayer-Selected PIN**

Coral does not authorize you, as the preparer, to allow ProFiler to automatically generate a PIN for signing Form 8879. Coral chooses her own PIN.

When a taxpayer selects their own PIN, they can either allow you to enter it on their behalf, or they can enter it directly on your keyboard, which you can pass over to them for privacy.

#### **IRS Direct**

- Clients can choose to have JH send their tax return to the IRS electronically (e-file).
- They receive their refund directly from the IRS via the disbursement option chosen.
- ♦ There is no charge for IRS Direct. However, JH fees must be paid BEFORE the tax return is filed.
- Most offices accept cash, check, or charge for the fees. Your supervisor will provide local details.

Need more information? Refer to these resources available from the Learning Center Catalog:

- Filing Options: IRS Direct & Assisted Refund (AR) Module
- Filing Options: IRS Direct & AR and Refund Disbursement Options Job Aid

### **Direct Deposit to a Bank Account**

When clients choose Direct Deposit to their personal bank account, they will need to provide you with the Bank Name, Routing Transit Number (RTN), and the Depositor Account Number (DAN) associated with the account. It is critical that you enter this information correctly. Incorrect information will create a major delay for the client's refund and serious client service issues.

Here are a few best practices:

- Double check your entry
- Turn the screen towards your client and have them verify the information as well
- Retrieve this information from a voided check or other reliable source. Never use a deposit slip.

Need more information? Refer to these resources available from the Learning Center Catalog:

- Refund Disbursement Module
- Filing Options: IRS Direct & AR and Refund Disbursement Options Job Aid