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## I．Multiple Choice Questions－－Choose one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question．（2 points each，total 40 points）

 Please write down the answers on the provided answer sheet．1）Which of the following is a business owned by a single individual？
A）sole proprietorship
B）corporation
C）limited liability company
D）limited partnership
E）general partnership

2）The tax rates for a particular year are shown below．What is the average tax rate for a firm with taxable income of $\$ 129,000$ ？

| Taxable Income | Tax Rate |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\$ 0-50,000$ | $6 \%$ |
| $50,001-75,000$ | $15 \%$ |
| $75,001-100,000$ | $25 \%$ |
| $100,001-335,000$ | $35 \%$ |

A） $25.00 \%$
B） $17.95 \%$
C） $35.00 \%$
D） $22.17 \%$
E） $25.97 \%$

3）At the beginning of the year，the NUK firm has current assets of $\$ 320$ and current liabilities of $\$ 232$ ．At the end of the year，the current assets are $\$ 490$ and the current liabilities are $\$ 269$ ． What is the change in net working capital？
A）$\quad \$ 150$
B）$\$ 125$
C）$\$ 205$
D）$-\$ 125$
E）$\$ 133$

4）For the past year，ABC Corp．had sales of $\$ 46,500$ ，interest expense of $\$ 3,900$ ，cost of goods sold of $\$ 16,834$ ，selling and administrative expense of $\$ 11,900$ ，and depreciation of $\$ 6,560$ ． What was the company＇s net income if the tax rate was $40 \%$ ？
A）$\$ 4,936.2$
B）$\$ 7,306.0$
C）$\$ 4,882.5$
D）$\$ 7,390.0$
E）$\$ 4,383.6$

5）A company has $\$ 1,300$ in inventory，$\$ 4,728$ in net fixed assets，$\$ 598$ in accounts receivable， $\$ 254$ in cash，$\$ 530$ in accounts payable，$\$ 900$ in long－term debt，and $\$ 5,320$ in equity．What are the company＇s total assets？
A）$\$ 7,419$
B）$\$ 6,880$
C）$\$ 7,870$
D）$\$ 6,750$
E）$\$ 10,050$

6）An interest rate that is compounded quarterly but is expressed as if the rate were compounded annually；what is the term of the rate？
A）stated interest rate
B）compound interest rate
C）periodic interest rate
D）effective annual rate
E）quarterly interest rate

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7）There is a project with the following cash flows．What is the payback period？

| Year | Cash Flow |
| :---: | :---: |
| 0 | $-\$ 30,000$ |
| 1 | 8,500 |
| 2 | 9,000 |
| 3 | 7,950 |
| 4 | 8,550 |
| 5 | $-8,300$ |

A） 4.00 years
B） 3.53 years
C） 2.58 years
D） 3.42 years
E）cannot be paid back

8）A project with an initial cost of $\$ 57,600$ is expected to provide annual cash flows of $\$ 13,000$ over the 5 －year life of the project．What is the project＇s profitability index if the required return is $6 \%$ ？
A） 1.257
B） 0.857
C） 0.785
D） 0.951
E） 0.734

9）Ggoolle＇s stock is currently trading for $\$ 200$ per share．The firm＇s management believes that the firm＇s primary clientele can afford to spend between $\$ 1,800$ and $\$ 2,000$ to purchase a round lot of 100 shares．What strategy should the firm consider？
A）reverse stock split．
B）preemptive right．
C）stock dividend．
D）special dividend．
E）stock split．

10）NUKFIN Corporation has 36,000 shares of stock outstanding at a market price of $\$ 4.50$ per share．What will the market share price be if the company does a 1 －for－ 6 reverse stock split？
A）$\$ .75$
B）$\$ 1.20$
C）$\$ 22.50$
D）$\$ 27.00$
E）$\$ 29.50$

11）What are the arithmetic and geometric average returns for a stock with annual returns of $12 \%$ ， $9 \%,-7 \%$ ，and $14 \%$ ？
A） $7.00 \%$ ； $6.66 \%$
B） $11.20 \% ; 7.37 \%$
C） $7.75 \%$ ； $7.37 \%$
D） $11.20 \%$ ； $7.75 \%$
E） $7.75 \%$ ； $11.00 \%$

12）All else constant，a bond will sell at $\qquad$ when the yield to maturity is $\qquad$ the coupon rate．
A）a premium；less than
B）a premium；equal to
C）at par；greater than
D）at par；less than
E）a discount；less than
13）If a bond provides a real rate of return of $3.01 \%$ at a time when inflation is $2.50 \%$ ，what is the nominal rate of return on the bond？
A） $7.53 \%$
B） $5.59 \%$
C） $6.16 \%$
D） $5.10 \%$
E） $6.11 \%$

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14）NUK Green Co．has a new greenhouse project with an initial cost of $\$ 400,000$ that is expected to generate cash flows of $\$ 50,000$ for 12 years and a cash flow of $\$ 80,000$ in Year 13．If the required return is $8 \%$ ，what is the project＇s NPV？
A）$\$ 6,048.98$
B）$\$ 3,528.69$
C）$\$ 9,509.31$
D）$-\$ 3,885.68$
E）$-\$ 13,030.20$

15）The car you want to buy costs $\$ 30,000$ in the U．S．If absolute purchasing power parity exists， and if the exchange rate is $€ 1=\$ 1.1259$ ，the same car will cost $\qquad$ in France．
A）$€ 33,777.00$
B）$€ 35,345.25$
C）$€ 26,645.35$
D）$€ 26,521.01$
E）$€ 30,000.00$

16）The market value of XYZ Co．equals its book value．Currently，the firm has excess cash of $\$ 1,000$ and other assets of $\$ 12,000$ ．Equity is worth $\$ 13,000$ ．The firm has 2,000 shares of stock outstanding and net income of $\$ 10,000$ ．What will be the new earnings per share if the firm uses its excess cash to complete a stock repurchase？
A）$\$ 4.50$
B）$\$ 5.00$
C）$\$ 5.42$
D）$\$ 5.70$
E）$\$ 5.85$

17）If insider trading can＇t make excess return，what is the market of the following？
A）weak form efficient．
B）semiweak form efficient．
C）semistrong form efficient．
D）strong form efficient．
E）inefficient．

18）When you estimate the weighted average cost of capital（WACC）for use in capital budgeting， which of the following is NOT a capital component？
A）Long－term debt．
B）Retained earnings．
C）Accounts payable．
D）Common stock．
E）Preferred stock．

19）NUK Corporation，a Taiwan－based importer，purchases cookware from a firm in the U．S．for 1，000 US dollars，or New Taiwan Dollars（NTD）30，000，at the spot rate of NTD 30.000 per dollar．The purchase terms are net 90 days，and the Taiwanese firm wants to cover this trade payable with a forward market hedge to eliminate its exchange rate risk．Suppose the firm completes a forward hedge at the 60 －day forward rate of NTD 30．520．If the spot rate in 60 days is actually NTD 30.959 ，how much in New Taiwan dollars will the Taiwanese firm have saved or lost by hedging its exchange rate exposure？
A）NTD 439
B）NTD－$\$ 439$
C）NTD 493
D）NTD－493
E）NTD 608

20）NUK Co．＇s convertible bonds were issued at their $\$ 1,000$ par value in 2024．At any time prior to maturity on February 1，2044，a bondholder can exchange a bond for 40 shares of common stock．What is the conversion price，Pc？
A）$\$ 23.00$
B）$\$ 25.50$
C）$\$ 25.00$
D）$\$ 24.50$
E）$\$ 26.00$

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## II．Problem－Solving and Essay Questions－－Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question．（total 60 points）

## Please write down the answers on the provided answer sheet．

1．The following is the list of corporate bond information traded in the market．Assume that you are a rational investor．All bonds are issued in U．S．dollars．You expect that the Fed will lower the interest rate soon．Because of the expected interest rate drop，you plan to purchase bonds and expect a large capital gain．

| Ticker | COUPON | YIELD | MOODY＇S RATING | MATURITY DATE | BID | ASK |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TB0217 | $5.00 \%$ | $4.00 \%$ | Aaa | $5 / 15 / 2037$ | 110.5 | 111.1 |
| TB0326 | $4.38 \%$ | $4.06 \%$ | Aaa | $2 / 15 / 2038$ | 103.7 | 104.1 |
| TB0455 | $4.25 \%$ | $4.25 \%$ | Aaa | $11 / 15 / 2040$ | 100.5 | 100.9 |
| TB0123 | $1.25 \%$ | $4.35 \%$ | Aaa | $5 / 15 / 2050$ | 51.96 | 52.31 |
| TB0264 | $3.00 \%$ | $4.41 \%$ | Aaa | $11 / 15 / 2045$ | 80.66 | 81.04 |
| TB0337 | $2.63 \%$ | $4.67 \%$ | Aaa | $3 / 31 / 2025$ | 97.77 | 97.91 |
| TB0454 | $2.25 \%$ | $4.96 \%$ | Aaa | $10 / 31 / 2024$ | 97.98 | 98.07 |

（a）what are the characteristics of the ideal bonds you should invest in？Please explain it．（5 points）
（b）What is your choice of the listed T－bonds if your budget only allows you to purchase one unit of T－bond？Why？（Write down the ticker of your choice）（ 5 points）

2．After graduating，you plan to purchase a 10 million－dollar house．You will apply for a mortgage from a bank．Assume that your annual mortgage rate is $3 \%$ ．The amount of the mortgage that you apply is $80 \%$ of the house value．You can pay for the mortgages for 20 or 30 years．
（a）What are the monthly payments for these two different mortgage terms？（4 points）
（b）What are total interest and principal payments for two different mortgage terms respectively？ （4 points）
（c）Which mortgage term do you prefer？Why？（2 points）

3．There are three types of bonds，which are premium bonds，discount bonds，and par bonds．The bond＇s return，which is the yield to maturity，equates to the sum of the current yield and capital gain yield．What are the capital gain yields（positive，negative，or zero）of these three bonds， respectively，when the time to maturity of the bonds approaches the maturity date？Why？（You may use the graph to demonstrate the reasons．）（10 points）

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4．There are several strategies for trading options．The following are some examples of the strategies and their definitions．Assume that X is the strike price and S is the option＇s spot price of the underlying asset．

Covered Call：Sell a call option against a long stock position．
Protective Put：Buy a put option to protect an existing long stock position．
Long Straddle：Simultaneously buy a call and a put with the same strike price and expiration．
Long strangle：Buy a call option with a higher strike price and a put option with a lower strike price．Both options have the same underlying asset and the same expiration date，but they have different strike prices
Short Straddle：Simultaneously sell a call and a put with the same strike price and expiration．
Short Strangle：Selling a call option with a higher strike price and selling a put option with a lower strike．Both options have the same underlying asset and the same expiration date，but they have different strike prices
（a）Demonstrate the contingency graphs of the option trading strategies above．（6 points）
（b）If you aim to profit from a big price change（either up or down）in the underlying asset，which strategies should you use？（2 points）
（c）If you aim to profit from little or no price movement in the underlying asset，which strategies should you use？（2 points）
（d）Which option trading strategies are riskier？In other words，the strategies have the potential loss if the expectation is incorrect．（5 points）

5．Annuities can be separated into two types．They are annuity due and ordinary annuity．You plan to buy a life annuity from an insurance company．Life annuities are insurance or investment products that provide the beneficiary with fixed payments at regular intervals．You buy the life annuity with a lump－sum payment．The insurance company makes regular payments to you periodically after you retire．
（a）Define annuity due and ordinary annuity respectively．（4 points）
（b）In terms of present value（PV）and future value（FV）respectively，what are the relationships between annuity due and ordinary annuity？（ 6 points）
（c）The insurance company offers two options to the beneficiary with fixed payments at regular intervals．You can receive the same payment regularly regarding annuity due or ordinary annuity．Which type of payment for the annuity should you choose？Why？（5 points）

