# SECTION B Answer all questions in this section 40MARKS

1. Suppose a stock begins the year with a price of \$50 per share and ends with a price of \$65 per share. During that year \$4 dividend with a price of \$65 per share was paid. What is the

i. Dividend Yield

1mark

ii. Capital gain Yield

1mark

iii. Total return for the year

1 mark

- 2. What is the main difference between weak sinking fund and strong sinking fund? 1mark
- 3. Lakamuun Company's current stock price is \$56 and its last dividend was \$3.40. In view of the strong financial position of Lakamuun coupled with its consequent low risk, its required rate of return is only 12 percent. If dividends are expected to grow at a constant rate 'g' in the future and if its required rate of return remains at 12 percent. What is Lakamuun's expected stock price 5 years from now?
  3marks
- **4.** If a bond has a par value of \$1000, 10 years to maturity and a yield to maturity (YTM) of 12%,

Calculate the duration of the bond if

i. 12 percent coupon is paid

1mark

ii. 10 percent coupon is paid

1mark

5. i. What is the main difference between immunized portfolio and a dedicated portfolio?

1 mark

ii.Briefly explain the barbell strategy of bond portfolio management 1mark

- 6. You are offered GHC 900 five years from now or GHC 150 at the end of each year for the next five years. If you can earn 6 percent on your funds, which offer will you accept? If you can earn 14 percent on your funds which offer will you accept? Why are your answers different?

  2marks
- 7. What is the main difference between aggressive beta and defensive beta? 1mark
- 8. An individual stock has GHC 3500 invested in a stock which has a beta of 0.8 and GHC 4000 invested in a stock with a beta of 1.4. If these are the only two investments in her portfolio, what is her portfolio's beta?

  1 mark
- 9. i. What is the main difference between simple interest and compound interest? 1mark
  - ii. State the factors which determine the future value of an investment security. 2marks
  - iii. If GHC20 is deposited in an account for five years at an annual interest rate of 6percent. What is the future value of this amount?

    3marks

10. Differentiate between the following pairs

i	Step-up bond and split coupon bond	3marks
ii.		3marks
	Retractable bond and Extendible bond	3marks
	Bearer bond and registered bond	3marks
	Angel bond and junk bond	3marks
vi.	Weekend effect and neglected firm effect in the stock market	3marks

## SECTION C (30MARKS) ANSWER ONLY ONE QUESTION FROM THIS SECTION

#### **QUESTION ONE**

A. Define the following terms

i.	Time Value of Money	Imark
ii.	Nominal Interest rate	1mark
iii.	Effective Annual rate	1mark
iv.	Spot market	1mark
V.	Capital market	1 mark

B. A saver wants GHC 100,000 per year after ten years and believes that it is possible to earn an annual rate of 8 percent on invested funds.

What amount must be invested each year to accumulate GHC 100,000 if the i. payments are made at

 $\delta$ . the beginning of each year

4marks

4marks

β. the end of each year ii. How much must be invested annually if the expected yield is only 5 percent 4marks

C. Suppose you are the manager of a \$4 million investment fund. The fund consists of 4 stocks with the following investment and betas:

Stock	Investment	15	Beta
A	400,000		1.50
В	600,000		(0.50)
C	1000,000		1.25
D	2,000,000		0.75

If the market rate of return is 14 percent and the risk-free rate is 6 percent, what is the 5marks fund's required rate of return?

D. A 10-year, 12 percent semi-annual coupon bond with a par value of \$1000, may be called in 4years at a call price of \$1060. The Bond sells for \$1100. Assume that the bond has just been issued.

i.	What is the bond's yield to maturity?	2marks
ii.	What is the bond's current yield?	2marks
iii.	What is the bond's capital gain or loss yield?	2marks
iv.	What is the bond's yield to call?	2marks

#### **QUESTION TWO**

A. Define the following terms

i. Systematic risk

2marks

ii. Idiosyncratic risk

2marks

iii. Stock volatility

2marks

B. Consider these four Bonds (A, B, C and D) on the market as follows

Bond A: Maturity 16years \$1000

7%

Bond B: Maturity 14 years \$1000 12%

Bond C: Maturity 9 years \$1000 19%

Bond D: Maturity 15 years

\$1000 25%

i. Calculate the following of each bond using a market interest rate of 13%

α. Capital gain/loss

3marks

β. Capital gain/loss yield

3marks

δ. Total Yield

2marks

What general conclusion(s) can be made about the above deductions?

3marks

C. i. What is bond duration?

1mark

ii. State four factors which affect a bond's duration

2marks

iii Consider Bond Y

**Bond C: Maturity 12 years** 

\$1000

19%

Calculate the following (assume annual compounding and yield to maturity is 16%

δ. Bond price

2marks

β Duration

2marks

A. i. Differentiate between current yield and yield to maturity

2marks

ii. What advantages do discount bonds offer to investors? Why a bond may be called

if it is selling at a premium.

2marks

iii. Why is a barbell strategy more flexible than a laddered strategy if an investor anticipates a decline in interest rates?

2marks

### QUESTION THREE

A

i. What is the beta coefficient of a stock?

3marks

ii. What is the main difference between efficient and inefficient portfolio? 3marks

B. Consider the following information on stocks A and B

State of economy	Probability of state of	Rate of return of state occu	
,	economy	Stock A	Stock B
Recession	0.20	0.04	-0.30
Normal	0.50	0.21	0.12
Irrational exuberance	0.30	0.12	0.44

The market risk premium is 7.5 percent and the risk-free rate is 4 percent. Which stock has the most systematic risk? Which one has the most unsystematic risk? Which stock is riskier? Explain

C. The table below shows the returns from Lakamuun common stock and the market index returns from January to June of 2021.

Month	Lakamuun returns	Market Index returns
	(%)	(%)
Jan	11	8
Feb	17	10
March	21	13
April	18	11
May	-8	-3
June	-12	-5

- Using the data above deduce the Beta of Lakamuun's common stock
   10marks
- ii. If the risk free-rate is 5 percent, calculate the required rate of return of Lakamuun's stock. (Hint: use the market index returns average as the returns from the market)
   6marks