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130 MARKS

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- The paper is divided into three sections; A,B and C
- Answer all questions in Sections A and B
- Answer only one question from section C.
- Write your index number on top of the question paper and every page of the answer booklet used.

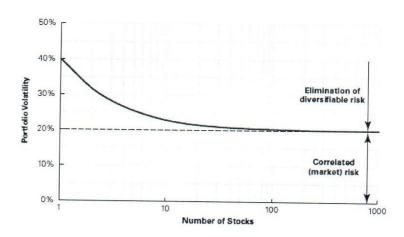
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SECTION A

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Circle the correct answer

- 1. The average compound return from a stock per year over a particular period is measured by
 - A. Geometric Average return
 - B. Arithmetic Average return
 - C. Both Geometric and Arithmetic average returns
 - D. None of the above
- 2. Consider the diagram below



What conclusion(s) can be drawn from the above?

- A. The volatility of stocks is independent of the number of stocks
- B. Elimination of diversifiable risk is positively correlated with market risk
- C. The volatility of a portfolio decreases with increasing number of stocks
- D. The volatility of a portfolio increases with increasing number of stocks
- 3. A particular investment had an annual returns of 10 percent, 12 percent, 3 percent and--9 percent over the last four years. The arithmetic and geometric means for this investment are respectively.
 - A. 4, percent, 3.7 percent
 - B. 3.7 percent, 4 percent
 - C. 4.8 percent, 5 percent
 - D. 12 percent, 10 percent
- 4. How many years will take for an initial investment of \$200 to grow to \$544 if it is invested today at 8% compounded annually?
 - A. 8 years
 - B. 10 years
 - C. 11 years
 - D. 13 years
- 5. Assuming two investments have equal lives, a high discount rate tends to favour.....
 - A. the investment with large cashflows early
 - B. the investment with large cashflows late

- C. three investment with even cashflows
- D. neither investment since they have equal interests
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 - A. long-term investments
 - B. short-term investments
 - C. both long-term and short-term investments
 - D. neither long-term nor short-term investment
- 7. What is the present value of \$12,500 to be received 10 years from today assuming a discount rate of 8% compounded annually and round to the nearest \$10?
 - A. \$5,790
 - B. \$11,574
 - C. \$9,210
 - D. \$17,010
- The present value of a single sum of money
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 - B. decreases as the discount rate decreases
 - C. increases as the number of discount periods increase
 - D. increases as the discount rate increases
- 9. What is the value of \$750 invested at 7.5% compounded quarterly for 4.5 years?
 - A. \$1,048
 - B. \$1,010
 - C. \$1,038
 - D. \$808
- 10. If \$100 is deposited into a savings account at the end of each year for three years. How much will be generated if the savings account earns an interest of 5 percent per year.
 - A. \$150
 - B. \$315.25
 - C. \$1000
 - D. \$350
- 11. If the intrinsic value of a stock is greater than its market value, which of the following is a reasonable conclusion?
 - A. The stock has a low level of risk
 - B. The stock offers a high dividend pay-out ratio
 - C. The market is undervaluing the stock
 - D. The market is overvaluing the stock
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- 20. All the following are true about geometric and arithmetic averages except
 - A. When rates of return are the same for the years then GM will be equal to AM
 - B. When the rates of return vary over the years, GM will always be greater than AM
 - C. Year- to year changes in the rates of return determines the difference between GM and AM
 - D. The higher the volatility of the investment the smaller the difference between GM and AM
- 21. An efficient market is defined as one in which
 - A. all participants have the same opportunity to make the same returns
 - B. all participants have the same legal rights and transaction costs.
 - C. securities price quickly and fully reflect all available information.
- D. securities prices are completely in line with the intrinsic value 22. All "know" information in the market means;
 - A. Part information only
 - B. part and current information
 - C. Past, current and inferred information
 - D. Past, current, inferred and relative information

- 23. The beta coefficient measures
 - A. The variability of the returns on the market relative to the responsiveness of an assets return
 - B. The responsiveness of the returns of an asset relative to the returns on the market as whole
 - C. the variability of the market returns relative to the market portfolio returns relative to the market portfolio returns
 - D. The responsiveness of the returns of the market portfolio relative to an standard deviation
- 24. What is the main difference between stocks and bonds?
 - A. Bonds represent ownership whiles shares do not
 - B. Shares represent ownership whiles bonds do not
 - C. Shares and bonds both represent equity
 - D. Shares and bonds both represent liabilities.
- 25. What is the price of a 15-year zero coupon bond that has a par value of \$1000 and a required return of 8%? Assume a semi-annual compounding
 - A. \$464
 - B. \$315
 - C. \$308
 - D. \$555
- 26. The market price of a bond changes due to
 - A. The supply and demand of the bond in the market
 - B. Investor's perception
 - C. changes in interest rate
 - D. all of the above
- 27. What is the result of the widespread usage of the interval with regards to efficient markets?
 - A. It makes information cheaper and more accessible thus making markets more efficient
 - B. It is subject to new regulation thus making markets less efficient
 - C. It increases the volatility of security price thus making markets less efficient
 - D. The increase competition among brokers thus making market more efficient.
- 28. If a market is inefficient, as new information is received about a security
 - A. nothing will happen
 - B. the stock price will fall at first and then rise later
 - C. there will be a lag in the adjustment of the stock price
 - D. there will be negative demand for the stock
- 29. The disposition effect relates to the fact that
 - A. investors tend to be overconfident regarding potential stock prices
 - B. investors often experience regrets about trading decisions
 - C. investors are more likely to sell winners than loser
 - D. investors tend to dispose of stocks at the end of the year
- 30. According to the random walk hypothesis, prices
 - A. over time are independent of one another
 - B. changes over time are independent
 - C. levels over time are independent

- D. changes today are dependent on yesterday's price changes
- 31. Lakamuun bought 100 shares of a leading diamond company with an expected return of 20 percent per year. The following day the company's president announced a major new discovery in Osino. The stock price immediately doubled. This scenario best illustrates that the
 - A. weak form EMH is not valid
 - B. Semi-strong firm of EMH is not valid
 - C. market prices are random
 - D. Lakamuun was just lucky
- 32. With regards to market efficiency, identify the incorrect statement
 - A. information is the central issue of the efficient markets concept
 - B. the most stringent form of market efficiency is the strong from
 - C. the efficient market concept does not require a perfect adjustment in price following new information
 - D. tests of the usefulness of price data are semi-strong form tests
- 33. Volatility of risk of a single asset is usually measured by
 - A. Variance
 - B. Covariance
 - C. Standard deviation
 - D. Beta
- 34. Which of the following investment will be characterized by the highest monetary return at the end of the investment horizon? Assume annual compounding
 - A. 5 years at the interest rate of 5% per year
 - B. 7 years at the interest rate of 3% per year
 - C. 4 years at the interest rate of 9% per year
 - D. 2 years at the interest rate of 6% per year
- 35. If C_o stands for the initial cash flow, r for the rate of interest (annual) and "n" for the number of periods (years) then the future value (FV) is given by
 - A. $FV = C_0(1+r)_n$
 - B. $FV = C_o + (1+r)n$ C. $FV = \frac{c_o}{(1+r)^n}$

 - D. $FV = C_o(1+r)^n$
- 36. If an asset has a zero beta, then it can be described as
 - A. very risky
 - B. risk free
 - C. riskier than the market portfolio
 - D. having the same risk is the market portfolio
- 37. A bank uses the policy of half yearly compounding for its term deposits. A customer deposits \$10,000 for 5 years. The bank has mentioned 9% compounding, calculate the maturity amount
 - A. \$15,387
 - B. \$16,506
 - C. \$15,530
 - D. \$15,657

- 38. The dividend discount model
 - A. ignores capital gains
 - B. incorporates the after-tax value of capital gains
 - C. includes capital gains implicitly
 - D. restricts capital gains to minimum
- 39. Lakamuun Inc. purchased a share of Bonamah Inc. common stock exactly one year ago for \$45. During the past year the common stock paid an annual dividend of \$2.40. The firm sold the security today for \$85. What is the rate of return the firm has earned?
 - A. 5.3%
 - B. 194.2 %
 - C. 94.2%
 - D. 35.34%
- 40. Consider the following Bonds: X and Y

	Time to maturity	Yield to maturity	Coupon rate
Bond X	12 years	5%	6%
Bond Y	8 years	7%	6%

Bond X has ____ interest rate risk than Bond Y and Bond X sells at a ____ price than Bond Y.

- A. Higher; Lower
- B. Higher; higher
- C. Lower; higher
- D. Lower; lower
- 41. Which of the following statements is most correct?
 - A. If annual compounding is used, the effective annual rate equals the nominal rate
 - B. If annual compounding is used, the effective annual rate equals the periodic rate
 - C. If a loan has a 12% nominal rate with semi-annual compounding its effective annual is equal to 11.66%
 - D. Statements A and B are correct
- 42. What is the value of \$100 perpetuity if interest rate is 7%?
 - A. \$12.321
 - B. \$1429
 - C. \$21,350
 - D. \$1443
- 43. Which of the following is likely to earn more future value?
 - A. Annual compounding
 - B. Semi-annual compounding
 - C. Monthly compounding
 - D. Daily compounding

- 44. All the following are characteristics of dividend except
 - A. dividends are not liability of the firm even when declared by the board
 - B. a firm cannot go bankrupt for not declaring dividends
 - C. dividends payments are not considered a business expense
 - D. dividends received by corporation have a minimum of 70% exclusion from taxable income
- 45. The main difference between dealers and brokers is that
 - A. dealers do not hold inventory of stocks but brokers do so
 - B. dealers hold inventory of stocks but brokers do not
 - dealers facilitate the coming together of buyers and sellers of stock but brokers don't
 - D. Dealers make profit by buying shares at the ask price and sell them at the bid price
- 46. Interest rates and bond prices
 - A. move in the same direction
 - B. move in opposite directions
 - C. are independent of each other
 - D. sometimes moves in the same direction, sometimes in opposite directions.
- 47. The total return from a stock is expressed as below

$$K_{g} = \frac{D_{1}}{P_{o}} + g$$

What does g represent in this formula?

- A. the expected price appreciation yield from a common stock
- B. the expected dividend yield from a common stock
- C. the dividend yield from a preferred stock
- D. the interest payment from a bond
- 48. Which of the following statements can be made about a bond with the following features?

Face value \$1000, coupon rate 8%, required rate of return is 15 percent

- A. The value of the bond is more than the face value
- B. The value of the bond is less than its face value
- C. The value of the bond is equal to the face value
- D. The value of the bond is greater than its intrinsic value
- 49. All the following are conclusive facts about risks of financial assets except
 - A. The riskiness of an asset is judged in terms of the riskiness of its cashflows
 - B. The riskiness of an asset can be considered on a stand-alone basis or in a portfolio context
 - C. The riskiness of an asset can be considered in a portfolio context only
 - D. Portfolio risk is much less than stand-alone risk
- 50. A stock begins the year with a price of \$30 per share and ends with a price of \$40 per share. During the year it paid a \$4 dividend per share. What is the total return for the year?
 - A. 40 percent
 - B. 47 percent
 - C. 13 percent
 - D. 33 percent