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Chapter 01 testbank - static

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- B. Decrease long-term debt to reduce the risk to the owner.
- C. Minimise the tax impact on the proprietor.
- D. Maximise the market value of the equity.
- E. Minimise the reliance on fixed costs.
- 38. Which one of the following is most likely to create a situation where an agency conflict could arise?
- A. increasing the size of a firm's operations
- B. downsizing a firm
- C. separating management from ownership
- D. decreasing employee turnover
- E. reducing both management and non-management salaries
- 39. Which one of the following is most likely to align management's priorities with shareholders' interests?
- A. increasing employee retirement benefits
- B. compensating managers with shares that must be held for 3 years before the shares can be sold
- C. allowing a manager to decorate his or her own office once he or she has been in that office for a period of 3 years or more
- D. increasing the number of paid holidays that long-term employees are entitled to receive
- E. allowing employees to retire early with full retirement benefits

- 40. Which of the following are effective means of aligning management goals with shareholder interests?
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- II. threat of a takeover
- III. management bonuses tied to performance goals
- IV. threat of a proxy fight
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- 41. Financial institutions are:
- A. institutions that primarily invest in real estate
- B. institutions that primarily deal in financial matters
- C. institutions that deal in second-hand equipment
- D. institutions that engage in manufacturing
- E. None of these
- 42. The goal of a financial manager should be:-
- A. to maximise next year's profit
- B. to minimise next year's cost
- C. to maximise the value of the existing owners' equity
- D. to take no risks with shareholders' investments
- E. None of these are appropriate goals
- 43. Which of the following is an example of the agency problem?
- A. Managers always invest in projects that have appropriate returns and that will increase shareholder wealth.
- B. Managers resign when they believe they have not always acted in the best interests of shareholders.
- C. Managers conduct an acquisition program purely to increase the size of an organisation.
- D. Managers do not look for new projects as they want to avoid business risk.
- E. Both C and D are examples of the agency problem.
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- A. compensating a manager based on his or her division's net income
- B. giving all employees a bonus if a certain level of efficiency is maintained
- C. hiring an independent consultant to study the operating efficiency of the firm
- D. rejecting a profitable project to protect employee jobs
- E. selling under-performing assets owned by the firm

- 45. The potential conflict of interest between a firm's owners and its managers is referred to as which type of conflict?
 A. organisational
 B. structural
 C. formation
 D. agency
- 46. Elizabeth is employed as a loans officer for the Commonwealth Bank. Her job falls into which of the following areas of finance?
- A. international finance
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- 50. Tim works for a large manufacturing company and is now in charge of all fixed asset purchases. In other words, Tim is in charge of:
- A. capital structure management
- B. asset allocation
- C. risk management
- D. capital budgeting
 E. working capital management

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- **E.** increasing the market value of the firm

Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 01-02 Identify the goal of financial management.

Section: 1.4 The goal of financial management

- 37. What is the goal of financial management for a sole proprietorship?
- A. Maximise net income given the current resources of the firm.
- B. Decrease long-term debt to reduce the risk to the owner.
- C. Minimise the tax impact on the proprietor.
- **<u>D.</u>** Maximise the market value of the equity.
- E. Minimise the reliance on fixed costs.

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-02 Identify the goal of financial management.

Section: 1.4 The goal of financial management

- 38. Which one of the following is most likely to create a situation where an agency conflict could arise?
- A. increasing the size of a firm's operations
- B. downsizing a firm
- C. separating management from ownership
- D. decreasing employee turnover
- E. reducing both management and non-management salaries

AACSB: Ethics Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-04 Describe the conflicts of interest that can arise between managers and owners.

Section: 1.5 The agency problem and control of the corporation

- 39. Which one of the following is most likely to align management's priorities with shareholders' interests?
- A. increasing employee retirement benefits
- **B.** compensating managers with shares that must be held for 3 years before the shares can be sold
- C. allowing a manager to decorate his or her own office once he or she has been in that office for a period of 3 years or more
- D. increasing the number of paid holidays that long-term employees are entitled to receive
- E. allowing employees to retire early with full retirement benefits

AACSB: Ethics Difficulty: Medium

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40. Which of the following are effective means of aligning management goals with shareholder interests?

I. employee share options

II. threat of a takeover

III. management bonuses tied to performance goals

IV. threat of a proxy fight

A. I and III only

B. II and IV only

C. I, II and III only

D. I, III and IV only

E. I, II, III and IV

AACSB: Ethics Difficulty: Hard

Learning Objective: 01-04 Describe the conflicts of interest that can arise between managers and owners.

Section: 1.5 The agency problem and control of the corporation

41. Financial institutions are:

A. institutions that primarily invest in real estate

B. institutions that primarily deal in financial matters

C. institutions that deal in second-hand equipment

D. institutions that engage in manufacturing

E. None of these

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-01 Discuss the basic types of financial management decisions and the role of the financial manager.

Section: 1.1 Finance: a quick look

42. The goal of a financial manager should be:-

A. to maximise next year's profit

B. to minimise next year's cost

C. to maximise the value of the existing owners' equity

D. to take no risks with shareholders' investments

E. None of these are appropriate goals

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-02 Identify the goal of financial management.

Section: 1.4 The goal of financial management

- 43. Which of the following is an example of the agency problem?
- A. Managers always invest in projects that have appropriate returns and that will increase shareholder wealth.
- B. Managers resign when they believe they have not always acted in the best interests of shareholders.
- C. Managers conduct an acquisition program purely to increase the size of an organisation.
- D. Managers do not look for new projects as they want to avoid business risk.
- **E.** Both C and D are examples of the agency problem.

AACSB: Ethics Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 01-04 Describe the conflicts of interest that can arise between managers and owners.

Section: 1.5 The agency problem and control of the corporation

- 44. Which one of the following situations is most likely to create an agency conflict?
- A. compensating a manager based on his or her division's net income
- B. giving all employees a bonus if a certain level of efficiency is maintained
- C. hiring an independent consultant to study the operating efficiency of the firm
- **<u>D.</u>** rejecting a profitable project to protect employee jobs
- E. selling under-performing assets owned by the firm

AACSB: Ethics Difficulty: Medium

Learning Objective: 01-04 Describe the conflicts of interest that can arise between managers and owners.

Section: 1.5 The agency problem and control of the corporation

- 45. The potential conflict of interest between a firm's owners and its managers is referred to as which type of conflict?
- A. organisational
- B. structural
- C. formation
- **D.** agency
- E. territorial

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-04 Describe the conflicts of interest that can arise between managers and owners.

Section: 1.5 The agency problem and control of the corporation

- 46. Elizabeth is employed as a loans officer for the Commonwealth Bank. Her job falls into which of the following areas of finance?
- A. international finance
- **B.** financial institutions
- C. corporate finance
- D. capital management
- E. investments

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-01 Discuss the basic types of financial management decisions and the role of the financial manager.

Section: 1.1 Finance: a quick look

- 47. Bruce is a security analyst working for Goldman Sachs JB Were. His job falls into which of the following areas of finance?
- A. international finance
- B. financial institutions
- C. corporate finance
- D. capital management
- **E.** investments

Learning Objective: 01-01 Discuss the basic types of financial management decisions and the role of the financial manager.

Section: 1.1 Finance: a quick look

- 48. Which of the following is an example of a secondary market transaction?
- A. ANZ bank issues new shares to a large funds manager in a private placement.
- B. The Government issues new long term bonds.
- C. Mary sells 1000 Qantas shares through her broker.
- D. BHP issues new bonds which will mature in ten years.
- E. None of these are secondary market transactions.

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-03 Compare the financial implications of the different forms of business organisation.

Section: 1.6 Financial markets and the corporation

- 49. Which of the following is an example of a primary market transaction?
- A. ANZ bank issues new shares to a large funds manager in a private placement.
- B. The ANZ bank sells 10-year government bonds that have 5 years to maturity.
- C. Mary sells 1000 Qantas shares through her broker.
- D. BHP issues new bonds which will mature in ten years.
- **E.** Both A and D are primary market transactions.

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-03 Compare the financial implications of the different forms of business organisation.

Section: 1.6 Financial markets and the corporation

- 50. Tim works for a large manufacturing company and is now in charge of all fixed asset purchases. In other words, Tim is in charge of:
- A. capital structure management
- B. asset allocation
- C. risk management
- **D.** capital budgeting
- E. working capital management

Difficulty: Easy

Learning Objective: 01-01 Discuss the basic types of financial management decisions and the role of the financial manager.

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