Winsloe Corporation obtained an investment in the stock of Southern Rail. The intent of the investment was <u>not</u> to obtain control or to exert significant influence. Winsloe has no plans to trade the investment for near-term profits. Following is a description of the activity related to the investment in Southern Rail:

- Aug. 5 Purchased 10,000 shares of Southern Rail at \$9 per share.
- Aug. 31 The fair value of Southern Rail's stock was \$10 per share.
- Sept. 30 The fair value of Southern Rail's stock was \$8.50 per share.
- Oct. 15 Received a dividend from Southern Rail of \$0.25 per share.
- Oct. 31 The fair value of Southern Rail's stock was \$9.50 per share.
- (a) What method should be used to account for this investment? Does management intent influence this decision? If the investment were obtained with the objective of near-term trading for profit, what would be done differently?
- (b) Prepare journal entries for the activity pertaining to the investment in Southern Rail.

Princeton Corporation purchased all of the stock of Stanford Corporation on July 1. Princeton paid \$3,000,000 for this investment. Stanford's buildings had a fair value of \$1,550,000. All other assets and liabilities of Stanford had fair values that were equivalent to their recorded amounts. Any excess purchase differential is attributable to goodwill. The separate balance sheets of Princeton and Stanford follow. Prepare the consolidated balance sheet that would be reported to Princeton's shareholders.

PRINCETON CORPORATION  Balance Sheet  July 1, 20X5					
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash	\$ 565,000				
Accounts receivable	233,789				
Inventories	<u>255,909</u> \$ 1,054,698				
Long-term Investments					
Investment in Stanford	3,000,000				
Property, plant & equipment					
Land	\$ 378,790				
Building (net of accumulated depreciation)	861,919				
Equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>476,136</u> 1,716,845				
Intangible assets					
Patent	540,000				
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,311,543</u>				
Liabilities					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 237,775				
Salaries payable	<u>125,400</u> \$ 363,175				
Long-term liabilities					
Loan payable	2,500,000				
Total liabilities	\$ 2,863,175				
Stockholders' equity					
Capital stock	\$ 2,300,000				
Retained earnings	1,148,368				
Total stockholders' equity	3,448,368				
Total Liabilities and equity	<u>\$ 6,311,543</u>				

STANFORD CORPORATION  Balance Sheet  July 1, 20X5					
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash	\$	34,545			
Accounts receivable		180,800			
Inventories		343,687	\$	559,032	
Property, plant & equipment					
Land	\$	137,776			
Building (net of accumulated depreciation)		688,099			
Equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)		657,887		1,483,762	
Total assets			\$ 2	2,042,794	
Liabilities					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	118,998			
Salaries payable		23,441	\$	142,439	
Long-term liabilities					
Loan payable				632,179	
Total liabilities			\$	774,618	
Stockholders' equity					
Capital stock	\$	800,000			
Retained earnings		468,176			
Total stockholders' equity				1,268,176	
Total Liabilities and equity			\$ 2	2,042,794	