

8.01 Derivative Instrument and Derivative Market Features

Question 1

An advantage to an investor using the over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives market rather than an exchange is *most likely*:

- A. more transparency.
- B. greater customization.
- C. lack of counterparty risk.

Question 2

Which of the following is *most likely* an advantage of over-the-counter derivatives compared to similar exchange-traded contracts?

- A. Greater regulatory oversight
- B. Reduced counterparty credit risk
- C. Customization of contract specifications

Question 3

Which of the following is *most likely* an advantage of exchange-traded derivatives compared to similar over-the-counter contracts?

- A. Risk management applications
- B. Reduced counterparty credit risk
- C. Customization of contract specifications

Question 4

For otherwise equivalent futures and forward contracts, there is *most likely* a difference in the:

- A. timing of their gains and losses.
- B. obligations of their counterparties.
- C. approximate amount of their gains and losses.

Question 5

The source of return for a derivatives dealer in the over-the-counter market is *least likely* to be:

- A. commissions on transactions.
- B. dealer transactions at the bid-ask spread.
- C. gains on the derivative caused by gains in the underlying.

Question 6

Compared with over-the-counter derivatives, derivatives traded on an exchange are *least likely* to be characterized by:

- A. regulation.
- B. standardization.
- C. counterparty risk.

Question 7

The amount due for a plain vanilla interest rate swap payment is *most likely* based on the interest rates of each payment stream and the swap's:

- A. par value.
- B. market price.
- C. notional principal.