Solution:

(1)

(a)
$$Amount = \$\frac{20,000}{(1.05)^5} = \$15,670.52$$

(b)
$$Amount = \frac{$20,000}{(1.1)^5} = $12,418.42$$

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$$Amount = \$\frac{20,000}{(1,2)^5} = \$8,037.55$$

(2)

(a)

Amount to be invested

$$= \frac{5000}{1+0.05} + \frac{5000}{(1+0.05)^2} + \frac{5000}{(1+0.05)^3} + \frac{5000}{(1+0.05)^4} + \frac{5000}{(1+0.05)^5}$$
$$= \frac{5000}{0.05} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(1+0.05)^5}\right) = \$21,647.38$$

(b)

Amount to be invested =
$$\frac{5000}{0.1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1.1^5} \right) = $18,953.93$$

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Amount to be invested =
$$\frac{5000}{0.2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1.2^5} \right) = $14,953.06$$