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- Q.1
- i. Financial derivatives include: 1
    - (a) Forwards
    - (b) Options
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  - ii. Which of the following is a reason to hedge a portfolio? 1
    - (a) To increase the probability of gains
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    - (a) Swap
    - (b) Stock option
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- vii. A strangle is an investment strategy that combines: **1**  
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- viii. A trader buys two June expiry call options each at a strike price of Rs. 200 and Rs. 220 and sells two call options with a strike price of Rs. 210, this strategy is: **1**  
 (a) Bull Spread (b) Bear call spread  
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- ix. The disadvantage of swaps is that they: **1**  
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- Q.6 i. Write a short note on two types of financial swaps. **4**  
 ii. Companies A and B have been offered the following rates per annum on a 100 lacs rupee loan for 5 year. **6**

	Fixed Rate	Floating rate
Company A	12.0 %	MIBOR + 0.1 %
Company B	14.5 %	MIBOR + 0.9 %

Company A requires a floating rate loan; Company B requires a fixed rate loan. Design a swap test will set a bank, acting as intermediary, 0.1 % per annum and that will appear equally attractive to both companies.

- OR iii. Company X and Y have been offered the following rates per annum on a \$ 5 million 10 – year investment: **6**

	Fixed Rate	Floating rate
Company X	8.0 %	LIBOR
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Company X requires a fixed rate investment. Company Y requires a floating rate investment. Design a swap test that will set a bank, acting intermediary, 0.2 % per annum and that will appear equally attractive to both the companies.

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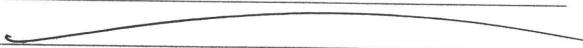
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	Long 100	Short 110	Net Pay
60	0	10	0
70	0	10	0
80	0	10	0
90	0	10	0
100	0	10	0
110	0	10	0
120	10	<del>10</del>	<del>0</del>
130	20	0	10
140	30	0	20
150	40	0	30



	Long 110	Short 120
60		
70		
80		
90		
100		
110		
120		
130		
140		
150		

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(ii)

The spread between the interest rates offered to A & B is 2.5%, and per annum on fixed rate loan and 0.8% per annum on floating rate loan. This means that the apparent benefit to all parties from the swap is 1.7%. 0.1% of this will go to the bank. This leaves 0.8% per annum for each A & B.

In other words.

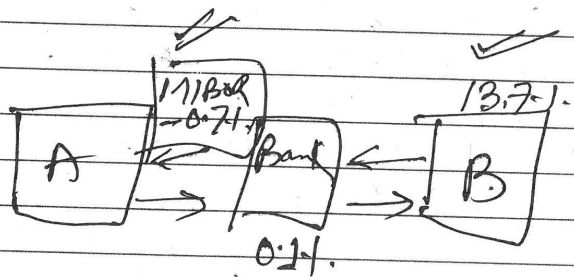
Company A shows able to pay MIBOR-0.2%

Q.6  
# (iii)

Investment

The spread between the interest rates offered to X and Y is 0.8% per annum on fixed rate investments and 0.0% per annum on floating rate investments. This means that the total apparent benefit to all parties from the swap is 0.8%. Of this 0.2% per annum will go to the bank. This leaves 0.3% per annum for each X & Y. In other words company X shows able to get a fixed rate return of 8.3% per annum while company Y should earn floating rate return.

and B will pay  
 $13.7\%$  per annum  
 fixed rate.



Bank charge.

$LIBOR + 0.3\%$  per annum.

SWAP is shown  
 below

