CFA Program - Acronym Guidelines for Level I

Candidates are responsible for knowing and understanding the following acronyms, which may appear in CFA Program Level I multiple choice exam questions.

CAPM = Capital Asset Pricing Model

D/E = Debt-to-Equity ratio

EBIT = Earnings Before Interest and Taxes

EBITDA = Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, and Amortization

EPS = Earnings per Share

ETF = Exchange-traded Fund

FCFE = Free cash flow to equity

FCFF = Free cash flow to the firm

FIFO = First-In, First-Out

GDP = Gross Domestic Product

GNP = Gross National Product

IFRS = International Financial Reporting Standards

IPO = Initial Public Offering

IRR = Internal Rate of Return

Libor = London Interbank Offer Rate

LIFO = Last-In, First-Out

NAV = Net Asset Value

NPV = Net Present Value

P/B = Price-to-Book ratio

P/CF = Price-to-Cash-Flow ratio

P/E = Price-to-Earnings ratio

PP&E (or PPE) = Property, Plant, & Equipment

REIT = Real Estate Investment Trust

ROA = Return on Assets

ROE = Return On Equity

US GAAP = U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

WACC = Weighted Average Cost of Capital