

- 1- Wilt's has earnings per share of \$2.98 and dividends per share of \$.35. What is the firm's sustainable rate of growth if its return on assets is 14.6% and its return on equity is 18.2%?

Sustainable growth rate = ROE × plowback ratio

$$\text{Sustainable growth rate} = .182 \times [(\$2.98 - .35)/\$2.98]$$

$$\text{Sustainable growth rate} = .1606, \text{ or } 16.06\%$$

- 2- Dani's just paid an annual dividend of \$6 per share. What is the dividend expected to be in five years if the growth rate is 4.2%?

$$\text{DIV}_3 = \$6 \times 1.042^5 = \$7.37$$

- 3- What should be the price for a common stock paying \$3.50 annually in dividends if the growth rate is zero and the discount rate is 8%?

$$\text{Price} = \$3.50/.08 = \$43.75$$

- 4- What price would you pay today for a stock if you require a rate of return of 13%, the dividend growth rate is 3.6%, and the firm recently paid an annual dividend of \$2.50?

$$\text{Price} = (\$2.50 \times 1.036)/(.13 - .036) = \$27.55$$

- 5- What constant-growth rate in dividends is expected for a stock valued at \$32.40 if next year's dividend is forecast at \$2.20 and the appropriate discount rate is 13.6%?

$$\$32.40 = \$2.20/(.136 - g)$$

$$g = .0681, \text{ or } 6.81\%$$

- 6- What rate of return is expected from a stock that sells for \$30 per share, pays \$1.54 annually in dividends, and is expected to sell for \$32.80 per share in one year?

$$\text{Expected return} = (\$32.80 + 1.54 - 30)/\$30 = .1447, \text{ or } 14.47\%$$

- 7- A company with a return on equity of 15% and a plowback ratio of 60%, what would be expected constant-growth rate?

$$g = .15 \times .60 = .09, \text{ or } 9\%$$

- 8- What is the plowback ratio for a firm that has earnings per share of \$2.68 and pays out \$1.75 per share in dividends?

$$\text{Plowback ratio} = (\$2.68 - 1.75)/\$2.68 = .3470, \text{ or } 34.70\%$$

- 9- A stock is expected to pay dividends of \$1.20 per share in Year 1 and \$1.35 per share in Year 2. After that, the dividend is expected to increase by 2.5% annually. What is the current value of the stock at a discount rate of 14.5%?

$$\text{Price} = \$1.20/1.145 + \$1.35/1.145^2 + [(\$1.35 \times 1.025)/(.145 - .025)]/1.145^2 = \$10.87$$

- 10- Jefferson's recently paid an annual dividend of \$1.31 per share. The dividend is expected to decrease by 4% each year. How much should you pay for this stock today if your required return is 16%?

$$\text{Price} = [\$1.31 \times (1 - .04)]/[.16 - (-.04)] = \$6.29$$

11- What is the expected constant-growth rate of dividends for a stock with a current price of \$87, an expected dividend payment of \$5.40 per share, and a required return of 16%?

$$\$87 = \$5.40 / (.16 - g)$$

$$g = .0979, \text{ or } 9.79\%$$

12- What is the value of the expected dividend per share for a stock that has a required return of 16%, a price of \$45, and a constant-growth rate of 12%?

$$\$45 = \text{DIV}_1 / (.16 - .12)$$

$$\text{Div}_1 = \$1.80$$

13- What is the required return for a stock that has a constant-growth rate of 3.3%, a price of \$25, an expected dividend of \$2.10, and a P/E ratio of 14.4?

$$\$25 = \$2.10 / (r - .033)$$

$$r = 11.70\%$$

14- What should be the price of a stock that offers a \$4.32 annual dividend with no prospects of growth, and has a required return of 12.5%?

$$P = \$4.32 / .125 = \$34.56$$

15- What should be the current price of a share of stock if a \$5 dividend was just paid, the stock has a required return of 20%, and a constant dividend growth rate of 6%?

$$\text{Price} = (\$5 \times 1.06) / (.20 - .06) = \$37.86$$

16- What should be the current price of a stock if the expected dividend is \$5, the stock has a required return of 20%, and a constant dividend growth rate of 6%?

$$\text{Price} = \$5.00 / (.20 - .06) = \$35.71$$

17- What proportion of earnings is being plowed back into the firm if the sustainable growth rate is 8% and the firm's ROE is 20%?

$$8\% = 20\% \times \text{plowback}$$

$$\text{Plowback} = 40\%$$

18- What is the expected constant-growth rate of dividends for a stock currently priced at \$50, that just paid a dividend of \$4, and has a required return of 18%?

$$\$50 = \$4(1 + g) / (.18 - g)$$

$$g = 9.26\%$$