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Lesson #9 Quiz

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1. Market capitalization is calculated by using:

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- ☐ The total number of employee of a company.
- ☐ The earnings of a company.
- ☒ The price per share and the total number of outstanding shares.
- ☐ The dividends of a company.

✓ **Correct**
Market capitalization is simply the product of these two quantities.

2. The greater an investor's ownership in a corporation is, the greater:

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- ☐ is the profitability of the company.
- ☐ is the amount of taxes to be paid by the company.
- ☒ is the total number of shares he/she owns with respect to the total number of shares outstanding.
- ☐ is the total number of shares he/she owns.

✓ **Correct**

3. A firm must make its dividend payments to _____ before it makes any dividend payments to its _____.

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- ☐ bondholders
preferred shareholders
- ☒ preferred shareholders
common shareholders
- ☐ the members of the board
bondholders
- ☐ its Chief Executive Officer
preferred shareholders

✓ **Correct**

4. The basic corporate charter: (check all that apply)

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- ☒ does not say that the firm ever has to raise debt. The board decides.

✓ **Correct**

- ☐ says that the firm must pay dividends during its lifetime.
- ☐ says that the firm must repurchase some of its shares beyond a certain threshold of issuance.
- ☒ does not say that the firm ever has to issue warrants, convertible debt or any other debt securities.

✓ **Correct**

5. In the Pecking Order Theory, the companies prioritize their sources of financing in the following order:

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- ☐ (1) Debt, (2) Internal financing, (3) Equity.

- ☒ (1) Internal financing, (2) debt issuance, (3) Equity.
- ☐ (1) Equity, (2) Debt issuance, (3) Internal financing.
- ☐ (1) Equity, (2) Internal financing, (3) Debt.

✓ Correct

6. A dilution is:

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- ☒ A reduction in the ownership percentage of a share of stock caused by the issuance of new shares.
- ☐ The issuance of new debt by a company.
- ☐ An increase in the ownership percentage of a share of stock caused by the issuance of new shares.
- ☐ A sale of an investor's shares.

✓ Correct

7. A share repurchase is: (check all that apply)

1 / 1 point

- ☒ A program by which a company buys back its own shares from the marketplace or from its shareholders (at a fixed price).

✓ Correct

- ☒ An alternative to paying dividends in order to return cash to investors.

✓ Correct

- ☐ A program by which investors buy back their previously sold shares of a given company.

- ☒ The reverse of a dilution.

✓ Correct

8. The price-to-earnings ratio: (check all that apply)

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- ☒ Shows how much an investor is willing to pay for the stock of the company for each dollar of the company's earnings.

✓ Correct

- ☐ Indicates the percentage of profit that is paid out as dividends.

- ☒ Effectively shows the number of years of earnings at which the company is valued given the current level of the share price.

✓ Correct

- ☐ Measures the funds provided by creditors versus the funds provided by owners.

9. Generally, a reduction in dividend is interpreted by investors as:

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- ☐ Good news, with often an increase of the stock price.
- ☐ A sign of future increase in profitability.
- ☐ A non-event.
- ☒ Bad news, with often a drop in the stock price.

✓ Correct

Usually dividend cuts or omissions are bad news, because investors infer trouble.