

FINC 4330: Commercial Bank Lending

Embedded Assessment Questions

Learning Objective Measured: Proficient Knowledge of Bank Operations

Income statement Analysis

1. An income statement is most helpful to a banker when trying to determine a company's
 - A. ability to repay a loan**
 - B. willingness to repay a loan
 - C. collateral that may be needed to repay a loan
 - D. B and C only

2. When comparing different companies' income statements, it is most important to *initially* match companies based on
 - A. industry**
 - B. number of employees
 - C. location
 - D. size

3. Which of the following may be an indication of potential income problems in the near future?
 - A. a shrinking profit margin
 - B. an increase in accounts receivable as a percent of sales
 - C. decreasing cost of goods sold as a percent of sales
 - D. A and B only**

Balance Sheet Analysis

4. On a common sized balance sheet, all amounts are listed
 - A. at market value
 - B. as a percent of sales
 - C. as a percent of total assets**
 - D. both a and b

5. A debt that is paid only after other debt with higher priority is called
 - A. equity
 - B. senior debt
 - C. subordinated debt**
 - D. reserves

Chapter 1 – Historical Statement Analysis

6. What is meant by “spreading” financial statements?
 - A. taking an average of several years of financial data rather than examining each year
 - B. looking at trends of financial data over consecutive periods**
 - C. comparing different financial statements (such as income statement, balance sheet, and cash flows statement) for the same period
 - D. examining the difference between interest income and interest expense for a bank.

7. Which group of ratios provides a measure owners’ risk vs. debtors’ risk?
 - A. liquidity ratios
 - B. leverage ratios**
 - C. activity ratios
 - D. profitability ratios

Chapter 3: Leverage

8. Higher amounts of leverage in a firm often lead to
 - A. increased risk and higher ROE**
 - B. decreased risk and lower ROE
 - C. increased risk and lower ROE
 - D. decreased risk and higher ROE

9. Current assets are often financed with
 - A. permanent capital loans
 - B. seasonal lines of credit
 - C. working capital loan
 - D. all of the above**

Chapter 4: The Elements of the Analysis

10. The 5 C’s of credit *do not* include which of the following
 - A. character
 - B. capital
 - C. control**
 - D. these are all included

11. The process of breaking down the financing requirement into the four types of loans, then analyzing, documenting, pricing, and monitoring each type accordingly is called
 - A. compliance
 - B. loan structure**
 - C. loan review
 - D. loan interview

12. Most losses on loans can be attributed to which of the following factors?
- A. changes in the borrower's market
 - B. borrower's management failure**
 - C. increasing interest rates
 - D. financial structure of the borrower
13. A borrower's environment includes
- A. market, industry, and exogenous influences**
 - B. liquidity, leverage, and cash flow
 - C. management depth, ability, and character
 - D. all of the above

Chapter 5 – Cash Flow

14. Why is a cash flow statement important to a lender if he or she already has an income statement?
- A. some items on an income statement are not cash items
 - B. some cash payments and receipts are not on the income statement
 - C. cash is needed to pay back loans
 - D. all of the above.**
15. What is the primary difference between cash and accrual accounting
- A. in accrual accounting, a financial entry is made only when cash is paid or received
 - B. in cash accounting, a financial entry is made when a good or service is bought or sold, regardless of when the cash is paid
 - C. in cash accounting, a financial entry is made only when cash is paid or received**
 - D. none of the above is correct.
16. All else being equal, an increase in accounts receivable will be listed on a cash flow statement as
- A. a reduction to cash or use of cash**
 - B. an addition to cash or source of cash
 - C. this will not be included on the cash flow statement

Chapter 6: Loan Structuring

17. The first step in the loan process is to
- A. analyze financial statements
 - B. call suppliers and creditors
 - C. determine structure
 - D. interview the client**

18. The maturity on a seasonal loan should usually be set to correspond with
- A. when the line has its largest balance
 - B. the low point in borrowing needs**
 - C. December 31
19. The purchase of equipment, office furniture, and other fixed assets are usually financed with this type of loan
- A. seasonal loan
 - B. term loan**
 - C. bridge loan
 - D. permanent capital loan
20. This type of loan is used as short-term financing until some specific event occurs that repays the loan
- A. seasonal loan
 - B. term loan
 - C. bridge loan**
 - D. permanent capital loan

Chapter 7: Covenants and Monitoring

21. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of an effective loan covenant
- A. detects borrower deterioration before payment failure occurs
 - B. prevents the borrower from growing**
 - C. deters deterioration while the borrower is still attractive to another lender
 - D. allows the bank to renegotiate the rate, collateral, and terms if risk changes