

I. What is an entrepreneur?

A. People who _____ are called entrepreneurs.

1. They strike out on their own
2. They are _____
3. They give up a steady job working for someone else

B. Characteristics of an entrepreneur

1. They usually need to _____ to make capital investments in...
 - a. _____ (capital investment) ex: _____
 - b. rent production space
 - c. hire _____ (labor costs)
2. If business fails, risk losing their investment.

C. Why do entrepreneurs take these risks?

1. To earn a profit
 - a. _____ – Driving force behind new products and services in a market economy

II. Business and Market Structures

A. Sole Proprietorships

1. A single owner, who takes _____ and receives _____
2. Easy to start
3. About _____ of American businesses are this type
4. They earn only approximately 6% of all revenue

B. Partnership

1. Divides the risks and profits of a business among _____.
2. _____ such as doctors and lawyers often form partnerships
3. Types of Partnerships - General & Limited
 - a. General Partnership - _____ for management and financial obligations of business
 - b. Limited Partnership - At least _____ in daily running of business
4. Types of Partners
 - a. Silent partner – someone who invests in a business and shares its profits, but has _____ in its day-to-day decisions and operation of business
 - b. Majority partner – who owns _____ (50.1%) of the company
 - c. Minority partner – who owns _____ (49.9%) of the company

C. Corporations – A legal entity, or being, _____, each of whom faces limited liability for the firm's debts.

1. For investors to _____, a firm needs to be organized as a corporation
2. A corporation issues _____ to investors.
3. Some shareholders are paid _____
4. Shareholders elect a _____ to run the business
5. The board of directors hires a chief executive officer (_____) to make day-to-day decisions.
6. A corporation may also borrow money by _____ (corporate bonds)
 - a. Bond – a written promise to repay the amount borrowed at a later date.
 - b. Principal – The amount _____
 - c. _____ – The price paid for the use of another’s money OR the price a financial institution pays one to save money
7. Income statement – a financial statement showing a business’s sales, expenses, and profits for a certain period to illustrate the financial “_____” of a company (usually released every quarter)
 - a. Net Income – Income _____ from revenue earnings
 - b. Depreciation – A non-cash charge the firm takes for the general _____ on its _____
 - c. Cash flows – The sum of net income and non-cash charges such as depreciation , Or, _____
 - (1) The cash flows represent the total amount of _____ (profit) the business generates from operations
8. Merger – When _____ companies come together to make one company
 - a. One company gives up its separate _____ to become one large company
 - b. Reasons for mergers
 - (1) To become a larger company
 - (2) A company may not be able to grow as fast as owners would like
 - (3) May want to _____ – ValuJet merged with AirWays to form AirTran Holding Corporation (after plane crash in Everglades)
 - c. Types of Mergers
 - (1) Horizontal merger – When two or more firms that produce the _____ join forces (ex: the merger of two banks)
 - (2) Vertical merger – When firms involved in _____ of manufacturing or marketing join together (ex: auto company merging with a tire company)
9. Conglomerate – A firm that has at least _____, each making unrelated products. (ex: General Electric)
 - (1) None of the different divisions are responsible for a majority of its sales
 - (2) _____ – one of the main reasons for conglomerate mergers

10. Multinationals – A corporation that has manufacturing or service operations in a number of

_____ (subject to laws in each country and pay taxes in each country)

| Types of Business | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|---------------------|------------|---------------|
| Sole Proprietorship | | |
| Partnership | | |
| Corporation | | |

Franchises are not technically a type of business organization. In the space below, summarize how a franchise works:
