Chapter 01

Intercorporate Acquisitions and Investments in Other Entities

**Multiple Choice Questions**

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| 1. | Assuming no impairment in value prior to transfer, assets transferred by a parent company to another entity it has created should be recorded by the newly created entity at the assets':      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | cost to the parent company. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | book value on the parent company's books at the date of transfer. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | fair value at the date of transfer. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | fair value of consideration exchanged by the newly created entity. | |

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| 2. | Given the increased development of complex business structures, which of the following regulators is responsible for the continued usefulness of accounting reports?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | All of these | |

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| 3. | A business combination in which the acquired company's assets and liabilities are combined with those of the acquiring company into a single entity is defined as:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Stock acquisition |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Leveraged buyout |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Statutory Merger |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Reverse statutory rollup | |

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| 4. | In which of the following situations do accounting standards not require that the financial statements of the parent and subsidiary be consolidated:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | A corporation creates a new 100 percent owned subsidiary |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | A corporation purchases 90 percent of the voting stock of another company |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | A corporation has both control and majority ownership of an unincorporated company |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | A corporation owns less-than a controlling interest in an unincorporated company | |

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| 5. | During its inception, Devon Company purchased land for $100,000 and a building for $180,000. After exactly 3 years, it transferred these assets and cash of $50,000 to a newly created subsidiary, Regan Company, in exchange for 15,000 shares of Regan's $10 par value stock. Devon uses straight-line depreciation. Useful life for the building is 30 years, with zero residual value. An appraisal revealed that the building has a fair value of $200,000.  Based on the information provided, at the time of the transfer, Regan Company should record:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Building at $180,000 and no accumulated depreciation. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Building at $162,000 and no accumulated depreciation. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Building at $200,000 and accumulated depreciation of $24,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Building at $180,000 and accumulated depreciation of $18,000. | |

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| 8. | Which of the following situations best describes a business combination to be accounted for as a statutory merger?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Both companies in a combination continue to operate as separate, but related, legal entities. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Only one of the combining companies survives and the other loses its separate identity. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Two companies combine to form a new third company, and the original two companies are dissolved. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | One company transfers assets to another company it has created. | |

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| 9. | A statutory consolidation is a type of business combination in which:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | one of the combining companies survives and the other loses its separate identity. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | one company acquires the voting shares of the other company and the two companies continue to operate as separate legal entities. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | two publicly traded companies agree to share a board of directors. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | each of the combining companies is dissolved and the net assets of both companies are transferred to a newly created corporation. | |

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| 10. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, what number of shares of $7 par value stock did Spin issue to Conservative?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | 10,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | 7,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | 8,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | 25,000 | |

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| 11. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, what was Conservative's book value of assets transferred to Spin Company?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $243,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $263,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $221,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $201,000 | |

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| 12. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, what amount did Conservative report as its investment in Spin after the transfer of assets and liabilities?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $181,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $221,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $263,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $243,000 | |

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| 13. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, immediately after the transfer,      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Conservative's total assets decreased by $23,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Conservative's total assets decreased by $20,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Conservative's total assets increased by $56,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Conservative's total assets remained the same. | |

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| 14. | Rivendell Corporation and Foster Company merged as of January 1, 20X9. To effect the merger, Rivendell paid finder's fees of $40,000, legal fees of $13,000, audit fees related to the stock issuance of $10,000, stock registration fees of $5,000, and stock listing application fees of $4,000.  Based on the preceding information, under the acquisition method, what amount relating to the business combination would be expensed?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $72,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $19,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $53,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $63,000 | |

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| 16. | Burrough Corporation paid $80,000 to acquire all of Helyar Company's net assets. Helyar reported assets with a book value of $60,000 and fair value of $98,000 and liabilities with a book value and fair value of $23,000 on the date of combination. Burrough also paid $3,000 to a search firm for finder's fees related to the acquisition. What amount will be recorded as goodwill by Burrough Corporation while recording its investment in Helyar?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $8,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $13,000 | |

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| 17. | Plummet Corporation reported the book value of its net assets at $400,000 when Zenith Corporation acquired 100 percent ownership. The fair value of Plummet's net assets was determined to be $510,000 on that date.  Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported in consolidated financial statements presented immediately following the combination if Zenith paid $550,000 for the acquisition?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $50,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $150,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $40,000 | |

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| 18. | Plummet Corporation reported the book value of its net assets at $400,000 when Zenith Corporation acquired 100 percent ownership. The fair value of Plummet's net assets was determined to be $510,000 on that date.  Based on the preceding information, what amount will be recorded by Zenith as its investment in Plummet, if it paid $500,000 for the acquisition?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $610,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $400,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $500,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $510,000 | |

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| 19. | Plummet Corporation reported the book value of its net assets at $400,000 when Zenith Corporation acquired 100 percent ownership. The fair value of Plummet's net assets was determined to be $510,000 on that date.  Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported in consolidated financial statements presented immediately following the combination if Zenith paid $500,000 for the acquisition?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $50,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $150,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $40,000 | |

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| 20. | The fair value of net identifiable assets of a reporting unit of X Company is $300,000. On X Company's books, the carrying value of this reporting unit's net assets is $350,000, including $60,000 goodwill. If the fair value of the reporting unit as a whole is $335,000, what amount of goodwill impairment will be recognized for this unit?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $10,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $25,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $35,000 | |

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| 21. | The fair value of net identifiable assets of a reporting unit of Y Company is $270,000. The carrying value of the reporting unit's net assets on Y Company's books is $320,000, including $50,000 goodwill. If the reported goodwill impairment for the unit is $10,000, what would be the fair value of the reporting unit?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $320,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $310,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $270,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $290,000 | |

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| 22. | Following its acquisition of the net assets of Dan Company, Empire Company assigned goodwill of $60,000 to one of the reporting divisions. Information for this division follows:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill (after any impairment) will be reported for this division if its fair value is determined to be $200,000?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $60,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $30,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $10,000 | |

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| 23. | Following its acquisition of the net assets of Dan Company, Empire Company assigned goodwill of $60,000 to one of the reporting divisions. Information for this division follows:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill impairment will be recognized for this division if its fair value is determined to be $195,000?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $30,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $60,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $55,000 | |

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| 24. | Following its acquisition of the net assets of Dan Company, Empire Company assigned goodwill of $60,000 to one of the reporting divisions. Information for this division follows:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of amount of goodwill impairment will be recognized for this division if its fair value is determined to be $245,000?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $60,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $55,000 | |

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| 25. | Public Equity Corporation acquired Lenore Company through an exchange of common shares. All of Lenore's assets and liabilities were immediately transferred to Public Equity. Public's common stock was trading at $20 per share at the time of exchange. Following selected information is also available.      Based on the preceding information, what number of shares was issued at the time of the exchange?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | 5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | 17,500 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | 12,500 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | 10,000 | |

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| 26. | Public Equity Corporation acquired Lenore Company through an exchange of common shares. All of Lenore's assets and liabilities were immediately transferred to Public Equity. Public's common stock was trading at $20 per share at the time of exchange. Following selected information is also available.      Based on the preceding information, what is the par value of Public's common stock?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $10 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $1 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $5 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $4 | |

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| 27. | Public Equity Corporation acquired Lenore Company through an exchange of common shares. All of Lenore's assets and liabilities were immediately transferred to Public Equity. Public's common stock was trading at $20 per share at the time of exchange. Following selected information is also available.      Based on the preceding information, what is the fair value of Lenore's net assets, if goodwill of $56,000 is recorded?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $306,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $244,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $194,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $300,000 | |

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| 28. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported for Alpha at year-end?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $20,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $30,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $10,000 | |

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| 29. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported for Beta at year-end?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $14,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $34,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $50,000 | |

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| 30. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, for Gamma:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | no goodwill should be reported at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | goodwill impairment of $30,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | goodwill impairment of $20,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | goodwill of $30,000 should be reported at year-end. | |

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| 31. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, for Delta:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | no goodwill should be reported at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | goodwill impairment of $15,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | goodwill impairment of $20,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | goodwill of $30,000 should be reported at year-end. | |

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| 32. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, what would be the total amount of goodwill that Wilson should report at year-end?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $69,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $79,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $94,000 | |

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| 33. | Which of the following observations is (are) consistent with the acquisition method of accounting for business combinations?  I. Expenses related to the business combination are expensed. II. Stock issue costs are treated as a reduction in the issue price. III. All merger and stock issue costs are expensed. IV. No goodwill is ever recorded.      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | III |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | IV |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | I and II |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | I, II, and IV | |

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| 34. | Which of the following observations refers to the term differential?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Excess of consideration exchanged over fair value of net identifiable assets. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Excess of fair value over book value of net identifiable assets. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Excess of consideration exchanged over book value of net identifiable assets. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Excess of fair value over historical cost of net identifiable assets. | |

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| 35. | Which of the following observations concerning "goodwill" is NOT correct?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Once written down, it may be written up for recoveries. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | It must be tested for impairment at least annually. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Goodwill impairment losses are recognized in income from continuing operations or income before extraordinary gains and losses. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | It must be reported as a separate line item in the balance sheet. | |

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| 36. | Big Company acquired the following assets and liabilities of Little Company (fair values listed below) for $470,000 cash.      Assuming these items are all recorded at their acquisition date fair values, what additional item needs to be recorded and how will it be accounted for in the future?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $30,000 Goodwill, capitalized and tested for impairment |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $30,000 Bargain purchase, recognized in current earnings |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $30,000 Bargain purchase, capitalized and recognized over time |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $30,000 Goodwill, capitalized and amortized over time | |

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| 37. | Paul Corp. acquired 100 percent of Sam Inc.'s voting stock on July 1, 20X1. The following information was available as of December 31, 20X1:      How much net income should be reported in Paul Corp's income statement for 20X1?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $370,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $720,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $940,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $1,090,000 | |

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| 38. | Note: This is a Kaplan CPA Review Question  On August 31, 20X1, Wood Corp. issued 100,000 shares of its $20 par value common stock for the net assets of Pine, Inc. in a business combination accounted for by the acquisition method. The market value of Wood's common stock on August 31 was $36 per share. Wood paid a fee of $160,000 to the consultant who arranged this acquisition. Costs of registering and issuing the equity securities amounted to $80,000. No goodwill was involved in the purchase. What amount should Wood capitalize as the cost of acquiring Pine's net assets?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $3,680,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $3,600,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $3,760,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $3,840,000 | |

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| 39. | Note: This is a Kaplan CPA Review Question  Company X acquired for cash all of the outstanding common stock of Company Y. How should Company X determine in general the amounts to be reported for the inventories and long-term debt acquired from Company Y?          |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Option A |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Option B |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Option C |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Option D | |

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| 40. | Point Co. purchased 90% of Sharpe Corp.'s voting stock on January 1, 20X2 for $5,580,000. Prior to the acquisition, Point held a 10% equity position in Sharpe Company. On January 1, 20X2 Pointe's 10% investment in Sharpe has a book value of $340,000 and a fair value of $620,000. On January 1, 20X2 Point records the following:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Debit Gain on revaluation of Sharpe's stock $280,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Credit Gain on revaluation of Sharpe's stock $280,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Credit Investment in Sharpe stock $5,860,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Debit Investment in Sharpe stock $6,200,000 | |

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| 41. | The length of the measurement period allowed to value the assets and liabilities in an acquired business combination starts on the date of acquisition and lasts until:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained, not to exceed one month |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained, not to exceed one reporting period |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained, not to exceed one year | |

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| 42. | ASC 805 requires contingent consideration in a business combination to be classified as:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | An asset |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | A liability or equity |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | An asset or equity |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | An asset or a liability | |

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| 43. | For all acquired contingencies, the acquirer should do all of the following except:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Provide documentation from the acquirer's attorney regarding pending lawsuits and loan guarantees |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Provide a description of each contingency |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Disclose the amount recognized at the acquisition date |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Describe the estimated range of possible undiscounted outcomes of the contingency | |

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| 44. | ASC 805 requires that ongoing research and development projects be treated in all of the following ways except:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Recorded at acquisition-date fair values |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Classified as intangible assets having indefinite lives |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Expensed immediately |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Tested for impairment periodically | |

**Essay Questions**

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| 45. | On January 1, 20X8, Alaska Corporation acquired Mercantile Corporation's net assets by paying $160,000 cash. Balance sheet data for the two companies and fair value information for Mercantile Corporation immediately before the business combination are given below:      Required:  Prepare the journal entry to record the acquisition of Mercantile Corporation. |

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| 46. | On January 1, 20X8, Line Corporation acquired all of the common stock of Staff Company for $300,000. On that date, Staff's identifiable net assets had a fair value of $250,000. The assets acquired in the purchase of Staff are considered to be a separate reporting unit of Line Corporation. The carrying value of Staff's investment at December 31, 20X8, is $310,000. The fair value of the net assets (excluding goodwill) at that date is $220,000 and the fair value of the reporting unit is determined to be 260,000.  Required:  1) Explain how goodwill is tested for impairment for a reporting unit. 2) Determine the amount, if any, of impairment loss to be recognized at December 31, 20X8. |

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| 47. | SeaLine Corporation is involved in the distribution of processed marine products. The fair values of assets and liabilities held by three reporting units and other information related to the reporting units owned by SeaLine are as follows:      Required: Determine the amount of goodwill that SeaLine should report in its current financial statements. |

Chapter 01 Intercorporate Acquisitions and Investments in Other Entities Answer Key

**Multiple Choice Questions**

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| 1. | Assuming no impairment in value prior to transfer, assets transferred by a parent company to another entity it has created should be recorded by the newly created entity at the assets':      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | cost to the parent company. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | book value on the parent company's books at the date of transfer. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | fair value at the date of transfer. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | fair value of consideration exchanged by the newly created entity. | |

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| 2. | Given the increased development of complex business structures, which of the following regulators is responsible for the continued usefulness of accounting reports?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | All of these | |

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| 3. | A business combination in which the acquired company's assets and liabilities are combined with those of the acquiring company into a single entity is defined as:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Stock acquisition |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Leveraged buyout |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | Statutory Merger |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Reverse statutory rollup | |

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| 4. | In which of the following situations do accounting standards not require that the financial statements of the parent and subsidiary be consolidated:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | A corporation creates a new 100 percent owned subsidiary |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | A corporation purchases 90 percent of the voting stock of another company |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | A corporation has both control and majority ownership of an unincorporated company |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | A corporation owns less-than a controlling interest in an unincorporated company | |

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| 5. | During its inception, Devon Company purchased land for $100,000 and a building for $180,000. After exactly 3 years, it transferred these assets and cash of $50,000 to a newly created subsidiary, Regan Company, in exchange for 15,000 shares of Regan's $10 par value stock. Devon uses straight-line depreciation. Useful life for the building is 30 years, with zero residual value. An appraisal revealed that the building has a fair value of $200,000.  Based on the information provided, at the time of the transfer, Regan Company should record:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Building at $180,000 and no accumulated depreciation. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Building at $162,000 and no accumulated depreciation. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Building at $200,000 and accumulated depreciation of $24,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | Building at $180,000 and accumulated depreciation of $18,000. | |

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| 6. | During its inception, Devon Company purchased land for $100,000 and a building for $180,000. After exactly 3 years, it transferred these assets and cash of $50,000 to a newly created subsidiary, Regan Company, in exchange for 15,000 shares of Regan's $10 par value stock. Devon uses straight-line depreciation. Useful life for the building is 30 years, with zero residual value. An appraisal revealed that the building has a fair value of $200,000.  Based on the information provided, what amount would be reported by Devon Company as investment in Regan Company common stock?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | $312,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $180,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $330,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $150,000 | |

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| 7. | During its inception, Devon Company purchased land for $100,000 and a building for $180,000. After exactly 3 years, it transferred these assets and cash of $50,000 to a newly created subsidiary, Regan Company, in exchange for 15,000 shares of Regan's $10 par value stock. Devon uses straight-line depreciation. Useful life for the building is 30 years, with zero residual value. An appraisal revealed that the building has a fair value of $200,000.  Based on the preceding information, Regan Company will report      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | additional paid-in capital of $0. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | additional paid-in capital of $150,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | additional paid-in capital of $162,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | additional paid-in capital of $180,000. | |

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| 8. | Which of the following situations best describes a business combination to be accounted for as a statutory merger?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Both companies in a combination continue to operate as separate, but related, legal entities. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | Only one of the combining companies survives and the other loses its separate identity. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Two companies combine to form a new third company, and the original two companies are dissolved. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | One company transfers assets to another company it has created. | |

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| 9. | A statutory consolidation is a type of business combination in which:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | one of the combining companies survives and the other loses its separate identity. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | one company acquires the voting shares of the other company and the two companies continue to operate as separate legal entities. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | two publicly traded companies agree to share a board of directors. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | each of the combining companies is dissolved and the net assets of both companies are transferred to a newly created corporation. | |

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| 10. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, what number of shares of $7 par value stock did Spin issue to Conservative?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | 10,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | 7,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | 8,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | 25,000 | |

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| 11. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, what was Conservative's book value of assets transferred to Spin Company?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $243,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $263,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $221,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | $201,000 | |

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| 12. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, what amount did Conservative report as its investment in Spin after the transfer of assets and liabilities?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | $181,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $221,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $263,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $243,000 | |

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| 13. | In order to reduce the risk associated with a new line of business, Conservative Corporation established Spin Company as a wholly owned subsidiary. It transferred assets and accounts payable to Spin in exchange for its common stock. Spin recorded the following entry when the transaction occurred:      Based on the preceding information, immediately after the transfer,      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Conservative's total assets decreased by $23,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | Conservative's total assets decreased by $20,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Conservative's total assets increased by $56,000. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Conservative's total assets remained the same. | |

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| 14. | Rivendell Corporation and Foster Company merged as of January 1, 20X9. To effect the merger, Rivendell paid finder's fees of $40,000, legal fees of $13,000, audit fees related to the stock issuance of $10,000, stock registration fees of $5,000, and stock listing application fees of $4,000.  Based on the preceding information, under the acquisition method, what amount relating to the business combination would be expensed?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $72,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $19,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | $53,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $63,000 | |

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| 15. | Rivendell Corporation and Foster Company merged as of January 1, 20X9. To effect the merger, Rivendell paid finder's fees of $40,000, legal fees of $13,000, audit fees related to the stock issuance of $10,000, stock registration fees of $5,000, and stock listing application fees of $4,000.  Based on the preceding information, under the acquisition method:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $72,000 of stock issue costs are treated as goodwill. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | $19,000 of stock issue costs are treated as a reduction in the issue price. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $19,000 of stock issue costs are expensed. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $72,000 of stock issue costs are expensed. | |

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| 16. | Burrough Corporation paid $80,000 to acquire all of Helyar Company's net assets. Helyar reported assets with a book value of $60,000 and fair value of $98,000 and liabilities with a book value and fair value of $23,000 on the date of combination. Burrough also paid $3,000 to a search firm for finder's fees related to the acquisition. What amount will be recorded as goodwill by Burrough Corporation while recording its investment in Helyar?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | $5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $8,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $13,000 | |

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| 17. | Plummet Corporation reported the book value of its net assets at $400,000 when Zenith Corporation acquired 100 percent ownership. The fair value of Plummet's net assets was determined to be $510,000 on that date.  Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported in consolidated financial statements presented immediately following the combination if Zenith paid $550,000 for the acquisition?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $50,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $150,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | $40,000 | |

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| 18. | Plummet Corporation reported the book value of its net assets at $400,000 when Zenith Corporation acquired 100 percent ownership. The fair value of Plummet's net assets was determined to be $510,000 on that date.  Based on the preceding information, what amount will be recorded by Zenith as its investment in Plummet, if it paid $500,000 for the acquisition?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $610,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $400,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $500,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | $510,000 | |

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| 19. | Plummet Corporation reported the book value of its net assets at $400,000 when Zenith Corporation acquired 100 percent ownership. The fair value of Plummet's net assets was determined to be $510,000 on that date.  Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported in consolidated financial statements presented immediately following the combination if Zenith paid $500,000 for the acquisition?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $50,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $150,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $40,000 | |

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| 20. | The fair value of net identifiable assets of a reporting unit of X Company is $300,000. On X Company's books, the carrying value of this reporting unit's net assets is $350,000, including $60,000 goodwill. If the fair value of the reporting unit as a whole is $335,000, what amount of goodwill impairment will be recognized for this unit?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $10,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | $25,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $35,000 | |

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| 21. | The fair value of net identifiable assets of a reporting unit of Y Company is $270,000. The carrying value of the reporting unit's net assets on Y Company's books is $320,000, including $50,000 goodwill. If the reported goodwill impairment for the unit is $10,000, what would be the fair value of the reporting unit?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $320,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | $310,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $270,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $290,000 | |

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| 22. | Following its acquisition of the net assets of Dan Company, Empire Company assigned goodwill of $60,000 to one of the reporting divisions. Information for this division follows:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill (after any impairment) will be reported for this division if its fair value is determined to be $200,000?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $60,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $30,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | $10,000 | |

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| 23. | Following its acquisition of the net assets of Dan Company, Empire Company assigned goodwill of $60,000 to one of the reporting divisions. Information for this division follows:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill impairment will be recognized for this division if its fair value is determined to be $195,000?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $30,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $60,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | $55,000 | |

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| 24. | Following its acquisition of the net assets of Dan Company, Empire Company assigned goodwill of $60,000 to one of the reporting divisions. Information for this division follows:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of amount of goodwill impairment will be recognized for this division if its fair value is determined to be $245,000?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | $5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $60,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $55,000 | |

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| 25. | Public Equity Corporation acquired Lenore Company through an exchange of common shares. All of Lenore's assets and liabilities were immediately transferred to Public Equity. Public's common stock was trading at $20 per share at the time of exchange. Following selected information is also available.      Based on the preceding information, what number of shares was issued at the time of the exchange?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | 5,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | 17,500 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | 12,500 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | 10,000 | |

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| 26. | Public Equity Corporation acquired Lenore Company through an exchange of common shares. All of Lenore's assets and liabilities were immediately transferred to Public Equity. Public's common stock was trading at $20 per share at the time of exchange. Following selected information is also available.      Based on the preceding information, what is the par value of Public's common stock?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $10 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $1 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $5 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | $4 | |

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| 27. | Public Equity Corporation acquired Lenore Company through an exchange of common shares. All of Lenore's assets and liabilities were immediately transferred to Public Equity. Public's common stock was trading at $20 per share at the time of exchange. Following selected information is also available.      Based on the preceding information, what is the fair value of Lenore's net assets, if goodwill of $56,000 is recorded?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $306,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $244,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | $194,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $300,000 | |

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| 28. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported for Alpha at year-end?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | $20,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $30,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $10,000 | |

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| 29. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, what amount of goodwill will be reported for Beta at year-end?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $14,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | $34,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $50,000 | |

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| 30. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, for Gamma:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | no goodwill should be reported at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | goodwill impairment of $30,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | goodwill impairment of $20,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | goodwill of $30,000 should be reported at year-end. | |

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| 31. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, for Delta:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | no goodwill should be reported at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | goodwill impairment of $15,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | goodwill impairment of $20,000 should be recognized at year-end. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | goodwill of $30,000 should be reported at year-end. | |

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| 32. | Pursuing an inorganic growth strategy, Wilson Company acquired Venus Company's net assets and assigned them to four separate reporting divisions. Wilson assigned total goodwill of $134,000 to the four reporting divisions as given below:      Based on the preceding information, what would be the total amount of goodwill that Wilson should report at year-end?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $0 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | $69,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $79,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $94,000 | |

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| 33. | Which of the following observations is (are) consistent with the acquisition method of accounting for business combinations?  I. Expenses related to the business combination are expensed. II. Stock issue costs are treated as a reduction in the issue price. III. All merger and stock issue costs are expensed. IV. No goodwill is ever recorded.      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | III |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | IV |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | I and II |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | I, II, and IV | |

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| 34. | Which of the following observations refers to the term differential?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Excess of consideration exchanged over fair value of net identifiable assets. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Excess of fair value over book value of net identifiable assets. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | Excess of consideration exchanged over book value of net identifiable assets. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Excess of fair value over historical cost of net identifiable assets. | |

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| 35. | Which of the following observations concerning "goodwill" is NOT correct?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | Once written down, it may be written up for recoveries. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | It must be tested for impairment at least annually. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Goodwill impairment losses are recognized in income from continuing operations or income before extraordinary gains and losses. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | It must be reported as a separate line item in the balance sheet. | |

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| 36. | Big Company acquired the following assets and liabilities of Little Company (fair values listed below) for $470,000 cash.      Assuming these items are all recorded at their acquisition date fair values, what additional item needs to be recorded and how will it be accounted for in the future?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | $30,000 Goodwill, capitalized and tested for impairment |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $30,000 Bargain purchase, recognized in current earnings |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $30,000 Bargain purchase, capitalized and recognized over time |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $30,000 Goodwill, capitalized and amortized over time | |

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| 37. | Paul Corp. acquired 100 percent of Sam Inc.'s voting stock on July 1, 20X1. The following information was available as of December 31, 20X1:      How much net income should be reported in Paul Corp's income statement for 20X1?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $370,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | $720,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | $940,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $1,090,000 | |

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| 38. | Note: This is a Kaplan CPA Review Question  On August 31, 20X1, Wood Corp. issued 100,000 shares of its $20 par value common stock for the net assets of Pine, Inc. in a business combination accounted for by the acquisition method. The market value of Wood's common stock on August 31 was $36 per share. Wood paid a fee of $160,000 to the consultant who arranged this acquisition. Costs of registering and issuing the equity securities amounted to $80,000. No goodwill was involved in the purchase. What amount should Wood capitalize as the cost of acquiring Pine's net assets?      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | $3,680,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | $3,600,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | $3,760,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | $3,840,000 | |

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| 39. | Note: This is a Kaplan CPA Review Question  Company X acquired for cash all of the outstanding common stock of Company Y. How should Company X determine in general the amounts to be reported for the inventories and long-term debt acquired from Company Y?          |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | Option A |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Option B |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Option C |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Option D | |

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| 40. | Point Co. purchased 90% of Sharpe Corp.'s voting stock on January 1, 20X2 for $5,580,000. Prior to the acquisition, Point held a 10% equity position in Sharpe Company. On January 1, 20X2 Pointe's 10% investment in Sharpe has a book value of $340,000 and a fair value of $620,000. On January 1, 20X2 Point records the following:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Debit Gain on revaluation of Sharpe's stock $280,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | Credit Gain on revaluation of Sharpe's stock $280,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Credit Investment in Sharpe stock $5,860,000 |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Debit Investment in Sharpe stock $6,200,000 | |

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| 41. | The length of the measurement period allowed to value the assets and liabilities in an acquired business combination starts on the date of acquisition and lasts until:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained, not to exceed one month |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained, not to exceed one reporting period |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **D.** | All necessary information about the facts of the acquisition is obtained, not to exceed one year | |

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| 42. | ASC 805 requires contingent consideration in a business combination to be classified as:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | An asset |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **B.** | A liability or equity |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | An asset or equity |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | An asset or a liability | |

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| 43. | For all acquired contingencies, the acquirer should do all of the following except:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | **A.** | Provide documentation from the acquirer's attorney regarding pending lawsuits and loan guarantees |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Provide a description of each contingency |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | C. | Disclose the amount recognized at the acquisition date |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Describe the estimated range of possible undiscounted outcomes of the contingency | |

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| 44. | ASC 805 requires that ongoing research and development projects be treated in all of the following ways except:      |  |  | | --- | --- | | A. | Recorded at acquisition-date fair values |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | B. | Classified as intangible assets having indefinite lives |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **C.** | Expensed immediately |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | D. | Tested for impairment periodically | |

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| 45. | On January 1, 20X8, Alaska Corporation acquired Mercantile Corporation's net assets by paying $160,000 cash. Balance sheet data for the two companies and fair value information for Mercantile Corporation immediately before the business combination are given below:      Required:  Prepare the journal entry to record the acquisition of Mercantile Corporation.        Or if the cash paid is reported net of cash received: |

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| 46. | On January 1, 20X8, Line Corporation acquired all of the common stock of Staff Company for $300,000. On that date, Staff's identifiable net assets had a fair value of $250,000. The assets acquired in the purchase of Staff are considered to be a separate reporting unit of Line Corporation. The carrying value of Staff's investment at December 31, 20X8, is $310,000. The fair value of the net assets (excluding goodwill) at that date is $220,000 and the fair value of the reporting unit is determined to be 260,000.  Required:  1) Explain how goodwill is tested for impairment for a reporting unit. 2) Determine the amount, if any, of impairment loss to be recognized at December 31, 20X8.     1) To test for the impairment of goodwill, the fair value of the reporting unit is compared with its carrying amount. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds its carrying amount, the goodwill of that reporting unit is considered unimpaired. On the other hand, if the carrying amount of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, an impairment of the reporting unit's goodwill is implied. The amount of the reporting unit's goodwill impairment is measured as the excess of the carrying amount of the unit's goodwill over the implied value of its goodwill. The implied value of its goodwill is determined as the excess of the fair value of the reporting unit over the fair value of its net assets excluding goodwill. 2) The $310,000 carrying value exceeds the $260,000 fair value, implying impairment. Implied goodwill = $260,000 - $220,000 = $40,000. Impairment loss = $50,000 - $40,000 = $10,000. |

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| 47. | SeaLine Corporation is involved in the distribution of processed marine products. The fair values of assets and liabilities held by three reporting units and other information related to the reporting units owned by SeaLine are as follows:      Required: Determine the amount of goodwill that SeaLine should report in its current financial statements.        Total Goodwill reported = $70,000 |

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