

FIXED-INCOME SECURITIZATION

1. Total cash flows to investors in an ABS issue are:

- (A) equal to the total interest and principal payments from the underlying asset pool if only one class of ABS has been issued from the trust.
- (B) equal to the total interest and principal payments from the underlying asset pool.
- (C) less than the total interest and principal payments from the underlying asset pool.

2. Securitization least likely benefits the financial system by:

- (A) increasing liquidity for mortgages and other loans.
- (B) increasing the amount banks are able to lend.
- (C) removing liabilities from bank balance sheets.

3. One of the primary benefits of securitization is that it:

- (A) improves the collectability of the loans that are securitized.
- (B) improves the legal claims of the security holders to the loans that are securitized.

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(C) removes problem assets from the issuing firm's balance sheet.

4. Which of the following is least likely a benefit of securitization?

- (A) Removing liabilities from the balance sheet.
- (B) Reducing funding costs.
- (C) Increasing the liquidity of balance sheet assets.



- 5. The special purpose entity (SPE) in a securitization is:
 - (A) a subsidiary of the seller.
 - (B) an entity independent of the seller.
 - (C) a joint venture partner of the seller.
- 6. Asset-backed securities (ABS) may have a higher credit rating than the seller's corporate bonds because:
 - (A) ABS are investment grade while corporate bonds may be speculative grade.
 - (B) the seller's ABS are senior to its corporate bonds.
 - (C) they are issued by a special purpose entity.

