

1. How does the Treasury of Aldenmark, a sovereign issuer, most likely bring a new bond to market?

- a. Through a private negotiation with one dealer
- b. Through underwriters placing it opportunistically
- c. Through a public auction led by the treasury

2. An investor submits a non-competitive bid at a government bond auction. This investor:

- a. Is always allotted securities, at the auction-determined price
- b. Is allotted securities only if its price clears the auction
- c. Sets the coupon rate the issuer must pay

3. A debt manager chooses a single-price rather than a multiple-price auction. This most likely:

- a. Narrows the distribution of submitted bids
- b. Has no impact on the distribution of submitted bids
- c. Broadens the distribution of submitted bids

4. In a single-price auction, a competitive bid submitted above the cut-off yield:

- a. Is the only type of bid that is filled
- b. Receives securities at its own higher yield
- c. Receives no securities, while all winners pay the single stop yield

5. As a primary dealer, Halden & Co. is most likely required to:

- a. Bar foreign central banks from participating in auctions
- b. Bid competitively in every auction and serve as a central-bank counterparty
- c. Accept the auction price without bidding competitively

6. Once issued, a sovereign's bonds are most likely traded:

- a. Only through the primary dealers that bid at auction
- b. Over-the-counter through broker/dealers, with some exchange trading
- c. On a single government-run exchange everywhere

7. Relative to a sovereign's older issues, its most recently issued securities are:

- a. More liquid and used for benchmark yield analysis
- b. Less liquid and traded only off-exchange
- c. Restricted to non-competitive bidders

8. Much of Brevanne's government debt is held by investors with non-economic objectives. This most likely:

- a. Raises Brevanne's borrowing costs above private issuers
- b. Forces all its bonds onto an exchange
- c. Lowers Brevanne's borrowing costs relative to private-sector issuers

9. A sovereign's borrowing-cost advantage from non-economic investors is greatest when its currency is:

- a. Used only for domestic government transactions
- b. A reserve currency, held widely by global central banks
- c. A restricted currency held mainly at home

10. How do multiple-price and single-price auctions differ for the same bond?

- a. Multiple-price gives different prices; single-price reduces yield volatility
- b. Multiple-price gives one price; single-price raises volatility
- c. Both give each winner a different coupon