



**Pensions  
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## **Taxation, Retail Investment and Pensions**

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This contains several short answer questions. Attempt **ALL** questions.

The total marks for this paper are 100.

1. Describe the different methods of providing workplace pensions schemes.

**(10 Marks)**

2. Explain why investors need to be aware of political developments and the macro-economic environment, and the impact that this/they can have on the money markets and investments.

**(15 Marks)**

3. Define the characteristics of the following principal asset classes:

- equities (UK and overseas)
- bonds (fixed interest and index linked)
- cash and near cash

**(15 Marks)**

4. Describe the main types of state benefit, the limitations of state benefits and the implication of the benefit cap.

**(20 Marks)**

5. Prepare a report/document to your Line Manager who has asked you to:

- a) evaluate the main types and uses of financial protection policies and;
- b) describe the role of insurance and the characteristics of:

- income protection schemes
- life assurance and pension based policies
- critical illness cover
- personal accident insurance
- payment protection insurance
- long term care key person cover
- health care schemes

- c) As a conclusion within the report/document then could you also explain the concept of regular reviews.

**(40 Marks)**

**End of Paper**

